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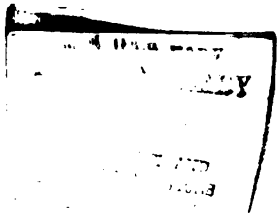

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OF

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

AT ITS

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

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OF

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS

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*R.·.I.·.*CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT, DEPUTY GRAND MASTER .....*Pasadena*

*R.·.I.·.*CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, GRAND PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR OF THE WORKS.....*Stockton*

*R.·.I.·.*FRANKLIN H. DAY, GRAND TREASURER.....*San Francisco*

R.·.*I.·.*THOMAS A. DAVIES, GRAND RECORDER.....*San Francisco*

*R.·.I.·.*THOMAS KYLE, GRAND CHAPLAIN.....*San Francisco*

*R.·.I.·.*HENRY ASCROFT, GRAND LECTURER .....*San Francisco*

*R.·.I.·.*WILLIAM H. GAYNOR, GRAND CAPTAIN OF THE GUARDS .....*Los Angeles*

*R.·.I.·.*WILLIAM O. GIRARDEY, GRAND CONDUCTOR OF THE COUNCIL.....*Sacramento*

*R.·.I.·.*FRANK REEVE WOOLSEY, GRAND STEWARD.....*Berkeley*

*Ill.·.*SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, GRAND ORGANIST....*San Francisco*

*Ill.·.*GEORGE WASHINGTON PERKINS, GRAND SENTINEL.... .....*San Francisco*

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1903-1906

ANDREW P. SWANSTROM, St. Paul, Minn.....*General Grand Master*

HENRY C. LARRABEE, Baltimore, Md.....*General Grand Deputy Master*

GRAFF M. ACKLIN, Toledo, Ohio..*General Grand Principal Conductor*

CHARLES H. HEATON, Montpelier, Vt.....*General Grand Treasurer*

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FAY HEMPSTEAD, Little Rock, Ark.....*General Grand Chaplain*

J. ALBERT BLAKE, Boston, Mass....*General Grand Captain of the Guard*

EDWARD W. WELLINGTON, Ellsworth, Kansas.....

.....*General Grand Conductor of Council*

GEORGE A. NEWELL, Medina, N. Y.....*General Grand Marshal*

WILLIAM F. CLEVELAND, Harlan, Iowa.....*General Grand Steward*

GEORGE THORNBURGH, Little Rock, Ark.....*General Grand Sentinel*

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

OF THE JURISDICTION OF CALIFORNIA

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters commenced its Forty-fifth Annual Assembly in Masonic Temple, San Francisco, April 17, 1905, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Grand Master called the Assembly to order and directed the Grand Recorder to call the roll.

The roll being called, the following officers and members were found present:

*M∴Ill∴*DAVID M. SUTHERLAND, *Grand Master.*
*R∴Ill∴*EDUARD KEIL, *Deputy Grand Master.*
*R∴Ill∴*CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT, *Grand Principal Cond. of Works.*
*R∴Ill∴*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand Treasurer.*
*R∴Ill∴*WILLIAM A. DAVIES, *Grand Recorder.*
*R∴Ill∴*THOMAS KYLE, *Grand Chaplain.*
*R∴Ill∴*HENRY ASCROFT, *Grand Lecturer.*
*R Ill∴*CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, *Grand Captain of Guards.*
*R∴Ill∴*WILLIAM H. GAYNOR, *Grand Conductor of Council.*
*R∴Ill∴*WILLIAM O. GIRARDEY, *Grand Steward.*
*Ill∴*SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, *Grand Organist.*
*Ill∴*GEORGE WASHINGTON PERKINS, *Grand Sentinel.*

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

*M∴Ill∴*WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES.
*M∴Ill∴*THOMAS KYLE.
*M∴Ill∴*WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.
*M∴Ill∴*EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.
*M∴Ill∴*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.
*M∴Ill∴*CHARLES LORD FIELD.
*M∴Ill∴*JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.
*M∴Ill∴*W. FRANK PIERCE.
*M∴Ill∴*GEORGE PENLINGTON.
*M∴Ill∴*HENRY ASCROFT.
*M∴Ill∴*ROBERT ASH.
*M∴Ill∴*JACOB HART NEFF.
*M∴Ill∴*JOHN GOULD BISBEE.

The Grand Master appointed as a Committee of Credentials Illustrious Companions Henry Ascroft, John Francis Hughes and Frank Reeve Woolsey. The roll call proceeded and the Constituent Councils were represented as follows:

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL No. 1—
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
ROBERT ALFRED BROWN, *Principal Conductor of Works.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.
DANIEL HYMAN.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL, No. 2—
HENRY ASCROFT, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
HENRY NATHANIEL HOFFMAN, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON, *Principal Conductor of Works.*
THOMAS KYLE.
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.
CHARLES LORD FIELD.
GEORGE PENLINGTON.
HENRY ASCROFT.
ROBERT ASH.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

MARYSVILLE COUNCIL, *No.* 3—
Not Represented.

SONORA COUNCIL, No. 5—
EDUARD KEIL, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*
ALFRED HERCULES RAINVILLE, *Representative.*

SHASTA COUNCIL *No.* 6—
Not Represented.

HELENA COUNCIL *No.* 9—
Not Represented.

STOCKTON COUNCIL No. 10—
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES.
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL No. 11—
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND.
JOHN FRANCIS HUGHES.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

OAKLAND COUNCIL No. 12—
FRANK REEVE WOOLSEY, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.
W. FRANK PIERCE.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

GATEWAY COUNCIL No. 13—
JACOB HART NEFF, *Past Th. Ill. Master and Representative.*

SANTA ANA COUNCIL No. 14—
Not Represented.

VENTURA COUNCIL No. 15—
Not Represented.

PASADENA COUNCIL No. 16—
JEFFERSON C. FRASER, *Principal Conductor of Works.*
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL, U. D.—
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

FRESNO COUNCIL, U. D.—
WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Council of California.

Ill.·. Companions:

W. FRANK PIERCE.....Arkansas
JACOB H. NEFF.....Colorado
HENRY ASCROFT .....Kansas
THOMAS KYLE .....Kentucky
CHARLES LORD FIELD.....Maine and New York
DAVID M. SUTHERLAND.....Indiana and Mississippi
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY .....Massachusetts
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....Michigan
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.....Minnesota
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....Missouri
JOHN FRANCIS HUGHES .....North Carolina
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....South Carolina
WM. ABRAHAM DAVIES .....Vermont
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....New Hampshire

The Committee on Credentials reported as present all the Grand Officers, thirteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of eight chartered and two Councils under dispensation.

The report was approved and the Companions therein named invited to seats in the Forty-fifth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of California.

The Grand Council was opened in Ample Form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain and music by the choir.

The Grand Master named the following committees:

On Jurisprudence—*Ill*.·.Comps. CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, W. FRANK PIERCE, JOHN FRANCIS HUGHES.

On Appeals and Grievances—*Ill*.·.Comps. WILLIAM A. DAVIES, WILLIAM H. GAYNOR, WILLIAM O. GIRARDEY.

On Finance and Returns—*Ill*.·.Comps. HENRY ASCROFT, GEORGE PENLINGTON, CHARLES J. WILLETT.

On New Councils—*Ill*.·.Comps. GEO. PENLINGTON, WILLIAM H. DAVIS, CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.

On Necrology—*Ill*.·.Comps. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, HENRY ASCROFT, WM. A. DAVIES.

The reading of the minutes of the last Annual Assembly was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies of the journal.

The Grand Master then delivered his annual address, which was received with applause, and by the Deputy Grand Master referred to Illustrious Companions George Penlington, Henry Ascroft and Charles J. Willett for segregation and proper reference.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

COMPANIONS—I take great pleasure in extending to each of you a hearty welcome to the annual meeting of the Grand Council of California.

You have each laid aside the cares of this world of labor and finance and have assembled today to inscribe on the forty-fifth milestone in the history of this Grand Council, a review of the year's work, and to lay the foundation for another year. May the Supreme Architect of the Universe enlighten us in our labors, that we may be enabled to submit suitable specimens of our work, and to brighten the chain of friendship by our fraternal greetings. To the representatives of foreign jurisdictions, and visitors among us, we extend a California welcome.

It now becomes my duty as Grand Master to give you a summary o my official acts, and I am very pleased to say to you that peace an harmony prevail among the craft in this jurisdiction and that we hav maintained fraternal intercourse with all other jurisdictions. As ther had been no exchange of Representatives with the Grand Council o Georgia, at the request of M. I. G. M,. Joseph C. Greenfield, I signec a commission to William A. Davis, of Macon, Ga., to represent ou Grand Council near the Grand Council of Georgia, and in return s

lected Comp. P. G. M. W. B. Scarborough, to whom the G. M. of Georgia issued a commission to represent their G. C. near the G. C. of California.

On March 1, 1905, I signed a commission to Comp. W. Rodes Shackelford as Grand Representative of this Jurisdiction near the G. C. of Kentucky, vice James Dysert Lewis, who has removed from the Jurisdiction.

Comp. Robert Ash has been appointed to represent Mississippi, but his commission not yet received.

I desire to suggest to all representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Council of California that as soon as practicable after the close of this Grand Assembly, they communicate with their several jurisdictions, giving a short synopsis of our meeting, naming the Grand Officers elect and any other information of interest. I believe if they would do so it would prove beneficial to our representative system and be appreciated by our sister Grand Jurisdictions.

VISITATIONS.

On June 16, 1904, I visited Los Angeles Council No. 11 and witnessed the conferring of the R. & S. M. degrees on a class of fifteen candidates. After labor, refreshments were served in the banquet hall and about 100 Companions participated. The T. I. M., Comp. Rowley, presided, and the spirit of fraternity prevailed in all the speeches and the candidates expressed themselves well pleased with the degrees and the beautiful lessons taught them.

I visited them again in December, 1904, and witnessed the conferring of the Superior Excellent Degree on a class of forty, and the work was well carried out in dramatic detail. I visited them again in January, 1905, and installed their officers. Again in February, 1905, and found the new officers for 1905 doing excellent work under the direction of T. I. M. Wm. M. Gaynor (our Grand Conductor) of this Grand Council. It is the custom of this Council to have a banquet at the close of all its meetings.

I visited Santa Ana Council by invitation on November 15, 1904. The degrees of R. & S. M. were conferred on a class of nine candidates and the Super-Excellent Degree on a class of about forty. The work was done in a very creditable manner and the T. I. M., J. W. Townor, is worthy of the commendation of the craft and is well appreciated and supported by his Companions. After labor refreshments were served, and a spirit of true hospitality and good feeling prevailed.

I visited Ventura Council, No. 15, on Febrpary 4, 1905, and installed their officers. I was accompanied by T. I. Companions Rowley, Dixon and Gaynor of Los Angeles Council, and with their assistance conferred the Super-Excellent Degree on a class of sixteen, after which a banquet was served and presided over by the newly installed Master,

Comp. Lincoln, whose name is an omen of good leadership. Though this is not the largest Council, it enjoys as much good feeling and hospitality as any other.

On March 27, 1905, I visited Sacramento Council No. 1, and though this Council had no candidate for that occasion, they exemplified the R. & S. M. Degrees to my entire satisfaction. The T. I. M., Wm. O. Girardey. G. Steward of the G. C., and Past T. I. M. Milliken, deserve special praise for their earnest efforts under difficulties. Refreshments were served after the close and the birthplace of California's hospitality did itself proud. I came away with the feeling that there is only one Sacramento No. 1.

On March 30th I visited Oakland Council No. 12 and witnessed the conferring of the R. & S. M. Degrees on a class of nine candidates, and although the officers were doing the work for the first time, they did it well, and while I dislike to discriminate, I feel it my duty to commend Comp. Edward H. Morgan, P. C. W. I have never heard the part rendered better. The same hospitable spirit prevailed in Oakland Council in the banquet hall after labor, only to a greater degree. No wonder their attendance is large and their membership interested in their meetings, for certainly all good things edible were provided.

I visited Stockton Council No. 10 on March 31st and witnessed the R. & S. M. Degrees conferred on three candidates. R. I., Comp. Norton, as T. I. M,, did the work well and was ably assisted by his officers. After the work I communicated the S. E. Degree to such of their members as did not have it. A cosy, well-furnished banquet room adjoins the hall, and thither we repaired to enjoy the good things of life, our digestion being assisted by speeches, sermon and song.

I regret being unable to visit all the Councils, as sickness in my family prevented my giving them notice of my coming. I made an effort to visit Marysville and Sonora Councils, but found they could not arrange a meeting on short notice.

Finding it impossible to visit California Council No. 2, I arranged that the R. I., Deputy Grand Master Eduard Keil, would visit them in my stead.

NEW COUNCILS.

On June 20, 1904, at the request of Comp. Drullard and other Companions at Santa Cruz. I gave to Grand Lecturer Comp. Henry Ascrof the necessary authority and my proxy to proceed to establish ; Council there, and if he found it absolutely necessary to obligate F A. Masons in sufficient number to commence the work. His effo were finally rewarded, several of the Santa Cruz Companions com to San Francisco and receiving the Degrees of R. & S. M. in C fornia Council No. 2, on January 7, 1905. On January 7, 1905, ei loyal Companions of California Council, among whom were five F

M.'s, went to Santa Cruz and organized their Council according to our Ritual and ceremonies and greeted twenty-one candidates, who expressed themselves well pleased. Not being able to be present on account of the magnificent distances which our State affords, I sent a communication to them, which was read in open Council. Now, to quote the words of Ascroft, "Santa Cruz Council having commenced auspiciously on a firm foundation, bids fair to become one of our brightest constellations." I signed their dispensation on January 21, 1905, and approved their by-laws on March 6th, 1905.

While visiting Stockton Council on March 31st, their consent was freely given for the formation of a Council at Fresno. Accordingly, I visited Fresno on my way south on April 1, 1905. On my arrival, a number of Companions there assembled in Companion Valentine's office, and after discussing the preliminaries, decided on April 15th as the date of organization, Companions Ascroft and Day previously consenting to that date.

I made a trip to San Jose, in June, 1904, to endeavor to form a Council there and was given a good deal of encouragement, which has not ripened into results as yet. I believe the field is good and would ask my successor to continue the work begun there.

The Companions at San Diego are also getting ready, and I hope to see their name on our records during the coming year.

On the 14th of April I granted a dispensation to Companions Wiley James Tinnin, Edward Sharp Valentine, Charles A. Mann and several other Royal Arch Masons to form and open a Council of Royal and Select Masters in the city of Fresno, the institution of the Council being recommended by Stockton Council No. 10, and the field for Cryptic Masonry being a promising one.

I met the Companions by appointment on the above date when on my way to attend this annual assembly, and at Fresno was joined by Past Grand Masters Day, Penlington and Neff, Grand Lecturer Ascroft and Grand Recorder Davies.

The preliminaries having been arranged on the 15th instant, Fresno Council was set to work in shape with abundant promise of a successful future. Grand Lecturer Henry Ascroft presided at the opening assembly and conferred the degrees of Royal and Select and Super-Excellent Master on a class of fifty Royal Arch Masons, equal in Masonic intelligence and standing in Masonry to any one of our best organizations.

The officers of the Council are Wiley James Tinnin, Thrice Illustrious Master.

Herman Edwin Mootz, Deputy Illustrious Master, and James A. McClurg, Principal Conductor of the Works. The success of Fresno Council is assured, and I have no hesitation in recommending the issuance of a charter to permanently establish so promising an organization.

The visiting Companions were reinforced by the presence of R. Ill. Companion Charles Willis Norton of Stockton, our present Grand Captain of the Guards, and R. Ill. William H. Gaynor, Grand Conductor of the Council. All were most hospitably entertained and before leaving Fresno planted a "White Stone" to commemorate the delightful features of the institution of Fresno Council under dispensation.

BY-LAWS AND DECISIONS.

On March 30, 1905, I approved an amendment to the By-laws of Oakland Council relating to Life Membership, making the amount for same $24, or eight years' dues, instead of $15, or five years' dues, as at present.

I have made no decisions and have the pleasure to report that entire harmony prevails throughout our jurisdiction.

NECROLOGY.

Death is a subject not lightly to be mentioned by mortal man.

In humble submission to the Divine Will we view the broken triangle, and as we reflect on the many virtues and kindly acts of the departed, we must be sensible that we, too, are mortal and must ere long lay aside the sword and trowel to enter upon our eternal rest.

The Committee on Necrology will report the names of our departed Companions.

They have paid the debt they owe to mother earth and their spirits have returned to the Great Original. It is not for us, Companions, to hope that we shall escape the common doom of man.

"Leaves have their time to fall,
And flowers to wither at the north wind's breath,
But all things thou hast for thine own Oh, Death."

I gratefully acknowledge the many courtesies and favors extended to me by the officers and Companions of every Council visited. They seemed to endeavor to outdo each other in hospitality, and I shall ever retain pleasant memories of my visits among them; also to the Grand Officers for their assistance, and especially to Comp. Ascroft, for his faithful performance of duty without hope of fee or reward, and to our Grand Recorder Comp. Davies for his advice and superior knowledge which he has so freely given to promote our glorious cause.

Also to the Grand Lecturer and officers of California Council No. 1 for having kindly consented to exemplify the standard work, R. & S. M. and S. E. M., at this assembly of the Grand Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In addition to the annual visits of the G. M. to subordinate Councils, I would suggest that each of the other Grand Officers, except th Tyler, Organist and Recorder, consider it his duty to visit at leas one Council besides his own during the year and report its progres and needs to the G. M. This method will keep the G. M. in touch wi

all parts of the State and besides will give each Grand Officer an opportunity to show his appreciation of his office to the G. Council.

I would also suggest that the Recorders of the various Councils interchange notices of meetings and send copies to the G. Master and G. Recorder.

I would also suggest that the G. Council approve of Councils holding meetings in Chapter Halls other than their own, to confer degrees, of course keeping within their respective jurisdictions. I believe this will tend to increase membrship.

In conclusion, I desire to thank this Grand Council for the great honor you have conferred upon me in elevating me to the office of Grand Master of this Grand Council. I have tried to perform my duty faithfully, but I find my work is not finished and time bids me pass this emblem of power over to my successor to continue the work until man to man the world over shall be as brothers.

In my official capacity, I have tried to teach that the G. C. has ever in mind the necessities and best interests of the craft, and is ever mindful of the high aims and ends we have in view; the beautiful and sublime teachings of the Cryptic Degrees are peculiarly fitting as the end and summit of perfection in Ancient Craft Masonry and appeal to the highest ideals of human wisdom. If we acknowledge, as we must, that man is a progressive being, we must also acknowledge that there are heights to which he has not yet risen, and it is along the lines of higher thought and human interests that we desire to direct the minds of this great fraternity, as well as the novitiate, and we must not stop at any one degree, for the limit of his intelligence is the only limit of our usefulness to our fellow man.

The sublime teachings of brotherly love are everywhere apparent in the Cryptic Degrees. They appeal to us to have faith in God, and love for our fellow beings, to learn of those capable of teaching the higher truths, to regard education as the great standard of manhood, and the equality of man, the true intent of nature; to be as guardians to those mentally or physically weaker than ourselves, to aid and share with them the blessings which we enjoy, to place womanhood on a high moral plane and think thoughts of goodness and virtue toward her, for thoughts are living things and must be weighed in the scale of Justice as well as our deeds; to study the works of nature around and above us in the starry decked canopy, and trace their purpose back to the Great Original; to lead the minds of our fellow men to contemplate upon the ultimate end of our existence here and inculcate within him the belief that upon the Trestle Board of eternity all mysteries shall be revealed to him; and after our labor in the Secret vault to enjoy a social hour with our Companions and throw off the cares of this monetary world; and in our everyday life to be good men and true, and to make a Mason's word as good as his bond, are some of the objects we have in view. And to these things I would again direct your minds and as you grow older in life's journey may your hearts mellow down with more love to each other and to our beloved fraternity.

Courteously and fraternally yours,

D. M. SUTHERLAND,

Grand Master.

The Grand Recorder presented and read letters of regret for their inability to attend the present Annual Assembly from Illustrious Companions Henry Sayre Orme and David W. Lubeck, representatives respectively of the Grand Councils of Tennessee and Washington, near this Grand Council.

The representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions present were addressed by the Grand Master and congratulated upon the prosperous condition of the Cryptic Rite in their respective jurisdictions and requested each to receive and transmit to the Illustrious Companions in charge his earnest wishes for their continued success.

The Grand Recorder presented and read his report, which report was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Grand Treasurer then read his report, which was also referred to the Finance Committee.

The reports were considered and approved by the Finance Committee, and upon their recommendation adopted and ordered recorded.

GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT.

To the M∴Ill∴Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:

I submit herewith my report of the transactions of the Grand Recorder's office for the year ending with the convening of this, the Forty-fifth Annual Assembly, with a summary of the work done by the several Subordinate Councils for the year ending January 31, 1905.

The Journal of Proceedings of the Forty-fourth Annual Assembly was distributed a soon as delivered by the printer, as heretofore ordered by the Grand Council, viz: One copy to each Grand and Past Grand Officer, one copy to each Representative to and from the Grand Council of California to other Grand Jurisdictions. Three copies to each Grand Council with which we are in communication and four copies to each Subordinate Council.

RELATIONS WITH OTHER GRAND COUNCILS.

Commissions have been issued to Illustrious Companions William A. Davis of Macon, Georgia, W. Rodes Shackelford of Richmond Kentucky, and Cromwell Tucker of Denver, Colorado, as Representatives of the Grand Council of California near their respective Grand Councils, and a commission received from the Grand Master of Georgia appointing the *M∴Ill∴*Companion WILLIAM BYRON SCAR-

BOROUGH of Los Angeles as the Representative of the Grand Council of Georgia near the Grand Council of California.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence, *M∴Ill∴* JAMES B. MERRITT, Chairman, is in the hands of the printer and will be published in the Journal of Proceedings.

The receipts of the office since the date of the report of the Forty-fourth Annual have been as follows:

Sacramento Council No. 1, Annual Dues	$ 132 00
California Council No. 2, Annual Dues	187 00
Marysville Council No. 3, Annual Dues	21 50
Sonora Council No. 5, Annual Dues	88 50
Shasta Council No. 6, Annual Dues	22 00
Helena Council No. 9, Annual Dues	22 50
Stockton Council No. 10, Annual Dues	44 50
Los Angeles Council No. 11, Annual Dues	283 50
Oakland Council No. 12, Annual Dues	143 50
Gateway Council No. 13, Annual Dues	34 50
Santa Ana Council No. 14, Annual Dues	56 00
Ventura Council No. 15, Annual Dues	24 00
Pasadena Council No. 16, Annual Dues	22 50
Santa Cruz U. D., Annual Dues	17 00
Santa Cruz U. D., Dispensation	15 00
Santa Cruz U. D., Ritual and Monitor	2 00
Fresno U. D., Dispensation	15 00
Total Receipts	$1,131 00

All of which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer.

The following is an abstract of the number of Councils and their work for the year now closed:

Number of Councils	18	
Number of Councils working	15	
Number of Councils making returns	14	
Greeted during the year		193
Affiiliated		30
Restored		4
		227
Withdrawn	13	
Excluded	5	
Suspended for non-payment of dues	19	
Died	36	73
Net gain		154
Membership January 31, 1905		1,812

Although not pertaining to the duties of his office, yet the Grand Recorder feels warranted by many years acquaintanceship with the Companions who are absent, to call to the remembrance of those present here to-day the names of Past Grand High Priests DR. THOMAS FLINT and LEWIS CASS WITTENMYER. God has taken from us Companions whom we knew as Royal and Select Masters in act and deed as in profession, and while reflecting upon the absence of their responses to the roll call of to-day, let us all join in the parting Salutation:

"Servants of God, well done.
Rest from your loved employ;
The Battle fought, the Victory won.
Enter the Master's Joy."

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. DAVIES,
Grand Recorder.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the M∴I∴Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:

The undersigned respectfully submits the following statement of receipts and disbursements of the Grand Treasurer since the last Annual Assembly:

FRANKLIN H. DAY, GRAND TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE GRAND COUNCIL, R. & S. M. OF CALIFORNIA.

1904.			
April 18.	To balance cash on hand		$1,735 70
June 30.	To dividend on deposits in San Francisco Savings Union	$ 15 87	
Dec. 31.	To dividend on deposits in San Francisco Savings Union	18 71	
		$ 34 58	
1905.			
Feb. 4.	To received from Grand Recorder	$243 00	
" 8.	To received from Grand Recorder	199 75	
" 15.	To received from Grand Recorder	177 75	
April 8.	To received from Grand Recorder	510 50	
		$1,131 00	
	Receipts		1,16[illegible]

1904.			
April 17.	By paid SAMUEL D. MAYER, services as Grand Organist	$ 7 50	
	By GEORGE W. PERKINS, services as Grand Guard	7 50	
	By F. P. MCLENNAN, rent of offices, one year to May, 1905	60 00	
	By paid WILLIAM A. DAVIES for expenses Grand Recorder's office	49 97	
	By paid COMMERCIAL PUBLISHING CO., printing proceedings Grand Council, 1904	202 25	
	By paid JAMES B. MERRITT, services as chairman Committee on Correspondence	50 00	
	By paid DAVID M. SUTHERLAND, appropriation for visitations as Grand Master	150 00	
	By paid WILLIAM A. DAVIES, dues to General Grand Council	6 75	
	By paid WILLIAM A. DAVIES, salary as Grand Recorder	125 00	
	By paid F. ERANK EASTMAN & CO., reprint of Vol. II, Grand Council proceedings and binding same	239 50	
	Disbursements		898 47
April 17.	Balance in hands of Grand Treasurer (on deposit in San Francisco Savings Union)		$2,002 81

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN H. DAY,
Grand Treasurer.

M. Ill. Companion Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the uniform ritual promulgated by the General Grand Council for the degrees of Royal and Select and Super-Excellent Master be and is hereby adopted as the ritual to be used by the Councils under the jurisdiction of the Grand Council of California.

Which resolution was unanimously adopted, and the Grand Recorder was instructed to procure the necessary rituals and monitors for the use of the Constituent Councils and distribute them as soon as practicable.

Illustrious Companion George Penlington, Chairman of the Committee on New Council, reported as follows:

To the M.·.I.·.Grand Council of California:

Your committee on New Councils respectfully report that they have examined the books and records of the Councils under Dispensation located at Santa Cruz and Fresno. They find the proceedings had, to be correct and in accord with our regulations, and recommend that a Charter be granted to Santa Cruz Council, and that it be numbered on the Register of the Grand Council as Santa Cruz Council No. 17, and also that the Council located in the City of Fresno be Chartered and Registered as Fresno Council No. 18.

GEO. PENLINGTON,
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON,
WILLIAM H. DAVIS,
Commitee.

The report was concurred in and the recommendations therein made adopted.

*Ill.·.Comp.·.*JAMES B. MERRITT in speaking of the welfare and advancement of the Cryptic Rite in this jurisdiction suggested that the "stay-at-home" policy had been practiced as he believed at the expense of the progress and expansion of the Rite. From its intimate connection and association with Royal Arch Masonry it was desirable that the degrees of Royal and Select Master should be at the convenient command of every Royal Arch Mason, and as there was no restriction in our law preventing a Council or the officers of a Council from visiting any one of the Chapters within its Jurisdiction, that is located nearer it than any other Council, taking with them the clothing and jewels and conferring in its hall the Cryptic degrees, he believed it would result in a large increase in the membership of our constituent Councils and lead to the institution of many more in our Grand Chapter Jurisdiction. His views were unanimously concurred in, but Grand Council concluded that the importance of the suggestion warranted its reference to the Committee on Jurisprudence to report at the next Annual Assembly, and it was so referred.

On motion of *Ill.·.*Comp. Penlington Grand Council resolved, that, in the preliminary organization of Councils of Royal and Select Masters the legitimate expense thereof be assumed by the Grand Council.

*Ill.·.*Comp. CHARLES J. WILLETT. Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported as follows:

First. That the committee had examined the books of the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer; that they had found them neatly and

correctly kept and in accordance with the regulations of the Grand Council, and, after an examination of the needs of the Grand Council for the ensuing year, they recommended the following appropriations:

For printing journal of the present Assembly	$200 00
For expenses of Grand Master's visitations	150 00
For Grand Recorder's salary	125 00
For contingent expenses, Grand Recorder	50 00
For rent of Grand Recorder's office	60 00
For Committee on Correspondence	50 00
For salary of Grand Organist	7 50
For salary of Grand Sentinel	7 50
	$650 00

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. WILLETT,
HENRY ASCROFT.
GEORGE PENLINGTON,
Committee.

The report was concurred in and the appropriations made as recommended.

To the M∴Ill∴Grand Council of California:

Your committee to whom was referred the address of the *M∴Ill∴* Grand Master respectfully report that they have given such time as the limited Assembly of Grand Council would permit. We listened to the reading of the address with interest, and desire to express our approval of the manner in which Grand Master SUTHERLAND has discharged the duties of his office for the year ending with the opening of the present Assembly.

In the matter of visitations he has done well, although prevented from doing more by family illness at home. He has shown his interest in the advancement of Cryptic Masonry by his acts, and his recommendation that Councils be not restricted to their local places of meeting in the conferring of the degrees, but may visit and work in any Chapter Hall within their respective jurisdictions.

Your commitee desires to approve his recommendations and commend the intelligent and faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of Grand Master.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE PENLINGTON,
HENRY ASCROFT,
CHARLES J. WILLETT,
Committee.

The report was concurred in.

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The Committee on Jurisprudence and the Committee on Appeals and Grievances reported no business before them.

The annual election of officers being in order, the Grand Master appointed *Ill*.·.Comp's FRANK REEVES WOOLSEY and HARRY R. BROWNE as Tellers. The ballot proceeded and resulted as follows:

M.·.*Ill*.·.EDUARD KEIL, Grand Master.

R.·.*Ill*.·.CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT, Deputy Grand Master.

R.·.*Ill*.·. CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, Grand Principal Conductor of the Works.

R.·.*Ill*.·.FRANKLIN H. DAY, Grand Treasurer.

R.·.*Ill*.·.THOMAS A. DAVIES, Grand Recorder.

The Grand Master appointed:

R.·.*Ill*.·.THOMAS KYLE, Grand Chaplain.

R.·.*Ill*.·.HENRY ASCROFT, Grand Lecturer.

R.·.*Ill*.·.WILLIAM H. GAYNOR, Grand Captain of the Guards.

R.·.*Ill*.·.WILLIAM O. GIRARDEY, Grand Conductor of Council.

R.·.*Ill*.·.FRANK REEVE WOOLSEY, Grand Steward.

Ill.·.SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, Grand Organist.

Ill.·.GEO. WASHINGTON PERKINS, Grand Sentinel.

The officers, elect and appointed were installed by *M*.·.*Ill*.·. DAVID M. SUTHERLAND, Illustrious Companion Henry Ascroft acting as Master of Ceremonies.

The Grand Master appointed *M*.·.*Ill*.·.Comp. JAMES BESTOR MERRITT, Correspondent.

Upon the invitation of the Grand Master Illustrious Companions Drullard of Santa Cruz Council and Tinnin of Fresno Council addressed Grand Council, referring to the prospects of the Cryptic Rite in their respective jurisdictions, and the applause proved their eloquent and earnest predictions to be thoroughly appreciated.

The Grand Lecturer exemplified the degrees of Royal and Select and Super Excellent Master and received the hearty thanks of Grand Council therefor.

The Grand Council was then closed in Ample Form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain and music by the choir.

A true copy of the Proceedings of the Forty-fifth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters held in Masonic Temple, San Francisco April 17, 1905.

Witness my signature, with the seal of our Grand Council, and the attestation thereunto of our Grand Recorder.

EDUARD KEIL,
Grand Master.

Attest:

THOS. A. DAVIES,
Grand Recorder.

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Necrology

"Life is like a railway station
Wherein, apart, a traveler stands;
Who's Wandered long from home and nation
In foreign lands.

And I am he who stands and listens
Amid the twilight's chill and gloom,
To hear approaching in the distance
The train for home."

In Memoriam

The following Companions have passed to rest during the past year:

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Sacramento Council No. 1.

EDWIN GLOVER ..... Jan. 26, 1905

Helena Council No. 9.

JAMES W. HATHAWAY ..... Aug. 29, 1904

Stockton Council No. 10.

LEWIS CASS WITTENMYER ..... Nov. 17, 1904

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

Sacramento Council No. 1.

JAMES PHILO BURCHARD ..... Jan. 6, 1905
HENRY SMITH CROCKER ..... July 18, 1904
LOUIS EDGAR GRAHAM ..... Aug. 16, 1904
DWIGHT HOLLISTER ..... Sept. 7, 1904
ROBERT JAMES LAWS ..... Oct. 20, 1904
ALVINZA HAYWARD ..... Feb. 14, 1904

California Council No. 2.

ROBERT ELMER BUNKER ..... June 12, 1904
CHARLES EMERY ELLIOT ..... Dec. 18, 1904
THOMAS FLINT ..... June 18, 1904
MICHAEL GAGNON ..... Mar. 2, 1904
ADOLPH HROMADA ..... Dec. 5, 1904
SIMON HARRY SEYMOUR ..... June 25, 1904

Marysville Council No. 3.

ALEXANDER HILL CREW ..... Dec. 16, 1904
SAMUEL JOSIAH SMITH ROGERS ..... Nov. 7, 1904

Sonora Council No. 5.

ANDREW PORTER JOHNSON.....April 28, 1904
ARCHIBALD PATTERSON .....Jan. 8, 1905

Shasta Council No. 6.

JOSEPH EVANS BELL.....June 26, 1904
ROBERT HUND BLOSSOM.....May 6, 1903
JOHN V. SCOTT.....Dec. 27, 1904

Helena Council No. 9.

ALFRED DOUGLAS EDGAR.....Sept. 13, 1904
ALBERT R. GATES.....Mar. 27, 1904

Stockton Council No. 10.

LEONARD HARRISON BUCKLAND.....Sept. 12, 1904
HENRY COFFIN SHAW.....Oct. 14, 1904
CORNELIUS SWAIN .....Mar. 26, 1904

Los Angeles Council No. 11.

OMRI BULLIS.....Sept. 12, 1904
PHILIP DANIEL CARPER.....Mar. 2, 1904
ELIHU DANIEL SUITS.....Jan. 1905
GEORGE UHL .....Sept. 20, 1904

Oakland Council No. 12.

GEORGE GOODMAN .....May 7, 1904
MARTIN M. SANAOM.....July 19, 1904
RALPH ASAHEL ELY.....Sept. 18, 1904
ZACHARY TAYLOR GILPIN.....Dec. 1, 1904

Pasadena Council No. 16.

NELS LEWIS THOMPSON..... .....April 4, 1904

And from the death rolls of Sister Jurisdictions we gather the following names of Illustrious Companions, for whom their Altars are in mourning.

Arkansas—*R*∴*I*∴Companion W. K. DOBBINS, Past Grand Principal Conductor of the Work of the Grand Council of Arkansas for the year 1870, was born near Spartansburg, South Carolina, June 11, 1822, and died at Little Rock, Arkansas, June 24, 1904, in the eighty-third year of his age.

Colorado—*M*∴*I*∴Companion CALVIN EDGAR REED, born in McDonough County, Illinois, March 11, 1865, died February 27, 1905, at his home in Denver, Colorado. He was Grand Master of the Grand Council of Colorado in the year 1900 and Grand Representative of the Jurisdiction of California at the time of his death.

Connecticut—*M*∴*I*∴Companion CHARLES A. JONES, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Connecticut for the year 1903, born September 15, 1850, died at his home in Hartford, October 27, 1904, aged fifty-four years.

M∴*I*∴Companion EDWARD ERNEST WEST, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Connecticut for the year 1896, born November 29, 1847, died at his home in Meriden, January 25, 1905, aged fifty-seven years.

Kentucky—*M*∴*I*∴Companion WILLIAM RYAN, died in Louisville November 13, 1904, at the age of seventy-six years. He was Grand Master of the Grand Council of Kentucky in 1873 and elected Grand Treasurer of that Body in 1899, continuing as such until death.

North Carolina—*R*∴*I*∴Companion FERDINAND ULRICH, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of North Carolina, died suddenly at John Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, August 8, 1904, after a short illness. He was born in the City of New York June 29, 1852.

Oregon—*M*∴*I*∴Companion SEYMOUR CHIPMAN, died at his home in Corvallis, on Thursday, December 15, 1904, at the age of seventy-two years. He was Grand Master of the Grand Council of Oregon from April, 1904, to the time of his death.

"One after another we see them pass
Down the dim lighted stair:
We hear the sound of their sturdy tread
In the steps of centuries long since dead,
As beautiful and as fair."

FRANKLIN H. DAY,
WILLIAM A. DAVIES,
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE,
Committee.

REPRESENTATIVES

Of Other Grand Councils near the Grand Council of California

Arkansas	W. Frank Pierce	Oakland.
Canada	George Alexander McKenzie	Stockton.
Colorado	Jacob H. Neff	San Francisco.
Connecticut	Frederick Ferdinand Barss	Placerville.
England and Wales	Amasa W. Bishop	Oakland.
Georgia	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles.
Illinois	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles.
Indiana	David M. Sutherland	Los Angeles.
Indian Territory	William Hewson Davis	Sacramento.
Iowa	Albert H. Merritt	Oakland.
Kansas	Henry Ascroft	San Francisco.
Kentucky	Thomas Kyle	San Francisco.
Louisiana	August Wackerbarth	Los Angeles.
Maine	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco.
Maritime Prov., N. B.	John A. Britton	Oakland.
Maryland		
Massachusetts	Franklin Henry Day	San Francisco.
Michigan	William Monroe Petrie	Sacramento.
Minnesota	John Gould Bisbee	Auburn.
Mississippi	Robert Ash	San Francisco.
Missouri	George Penlington	San Francisco.
Nebraska	James William Towner	Santa Ana.
New Hampshire	Edward Richards Hedges	Stockton.
New Jersey	John William Rock	Sacramento.
New York	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco.
North Carolina	John Francis Hughes	Los Angeles...
Ohio	James Hedges Hall	Santa Ana.
Oregon	Alfred Walton Baldwin	San Francisco.
Pennsylvania	Edward Richards Hedges	Stockton.
Rhode Island		
South Carolina	James Bestor Merritt	Oakland.
Tennessee	Henry Sayre Orme	Los Angeles.
Vermont	William Abraham Davies	San Francisco.
Washington	David W. Lubeck	Auburn.
Wisconsin	James Dean Wilder	Tustin

REPRESENTATIVES

Of the Grand Council of California near other Grand Councils

Arkansas	GAYLORD J. KLOCK	Little Rock.
Canada	J. ROSS ROBERTSON	Toronto.
Colorado	CROMWELL TUCKER	Denver.
Connecticut	ALEXANDER B. SHUMWAY	Litchfield.
Georgia	WM. A. DAVIS	Macon.
Illinois	JOHN A. LADD	Sterling.
Indiana	ORLANDO W. BROWNBACK	Pendleton.
Indian Territory	JABEZ H. MANN	McAlester, Choctaw Nation.
Iowa	W. H. NORRIS	Manchester.
Kansas	ROBERT E. TORRINGTON	Wichita.
Kentucky	WM. RHODES SHACKELFORD	Richmond.
Louisiana	SAMUEL MANNING TODD	New Orleans.
Maine	MILLARD F. HICKS	Portland.
Maryland	ALBERT BENEDICT LYMAN	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	EDWARD M. WOODWARD	Boston.
Michigan	BAYARD A. CHURCH	St. Louis.
Minnesota	JAMES C. HAWES	Red Wing.
Mississippi	A. A. POSEY	Aberdeen.
Missouri	WM. R. STUBBLEFIELD	St. Louis.
Nebraska	G. W. LININGER	Omaha.
New Hampshire	JOHN F. MAYNARD	Ashland.
New Jersey	JOHN M. KNAPP	Ridgewood.
New York	THEODORE H. BARBER	Syracuse.
North Carolina	W. F. RANDOLPH	Asheville.
Ohio	ARTHUR P. CRANE	Toledo.
Oregon	SETH L. POPE	Portland.
Pennsylvania	REUBEN E. TAFT	Titusville.
Rhode Island	ROBERT S. FRANKLIN	Newport.
South Carolina	J. E. MCDONALD	Winnsboro.
Tennessee	C. H. SMART	1516 Laurel St., Nashvil
Vermont	GEORGE W. WING	Montpelier
Washington	W. S. FAIRWEATHER	Tacoma.
Wisconsin	WILLIAM N. PENNELL	Milwauk

ADDRESS OF GRAND RECORDERS

Alabama—BENJ. M. JACOBS, Montgomery.
Arkansas—FAY HEMPSTEAD, Little Rock.
California—WILLIAM A. DAVIES, Starr King Bldg., 121 Geary St., S. F.
Colorado—ERNEST LENEVE FOSTER, Denver, 47 Bank Block.
Connecticut—JAMES MCCORMICK, Hartford, 150 State St.
England—C. F. MATIER, Mark Masons' Hall, Great Q.St., London.W.C.
Florida—JOHN CARLOVITZ, Milton.
Georgia—W. A. WOLIHIN, Macon.
General Grand Council—HENRY W. MORDHURST, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Illinois—GIL. W. BARNARD, Masonic Temple, Chicago.
Indiana—CALVIN W. PRATHER, Indianapolis.
Indian Territory—R. Y. MORRISON, Atoka.
Iowa—ALF. WINGATE, Des Moines.
Kansas—WILLIAM M. SHAVER, Topeka.
Kentucky—H. B. GRANT, Louisville.
Louisiana—RICHARD LAMBERT, Masonic Temple, New Orleans.
Maine—STEPHEN BERRY, Portland.
Maryland—GUSTAV A. EITEL, 1521 No. Carolina St., Baltimore.
Massachusetts—J. GILMAN WAITE, Masonic Temple, Boston.
Minnesota—THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.
Michigan—CHARLES A. CONOVER, Coldwater.
Mississippi—FRED SPEED, Vicksburg.
Missouri—WILLIAM H. MAYO, Masonic Temple, St. Louis.
New Hampshire—FRANK D. WOODBURY, Concord.
Nebraska—FRANCIS E. WHITE, 1608 Capitol Ave., Omaha.
New Jersey—JOHN B. BERTHOLF, Jersey City.
New York—GEORGE H. VAN VLIET, 16 Eighth Ave., New York City.
New Brunswick—JOHN A. WATSON, St. John.
North Carolina—JAMES C. MUNDS, Wilmington.
Ohio—WILLIAM E. EVANS, Chillicothe.
Oregon—SETH L. POPE, Portland, P. O. Box 256.
Ontario—A. G. HORFORD, Toronto.
Pennsylvania—FRANK W. MARTENIS, South Bethlehem.
Rhode Island—WILLIAM R. GREENE, Providence, Box 576.
Scotland—D. MURRAY LYON, Edinburgh.
South Carolina—ZIMMERMAN DAVIS, Charleston.
Tennessee—W. A. CLENDENING, Nashville.
Vermont—HENRY H. ROSS, Rutland.
Washington—EDWARD R. HARE, Tacoma.
Wisconsin—WILLIAM W. PERRY, Milwaukee.

Returns of Constituent Councils

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

A. D. 1905, A. Dep. 2905

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL, No. 1.

SACRAMENTO, SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, last Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

William Ohmer Girardey, *T. Ill. M.*,
Joseph A. Courter, *D. Ill. M.*,
Egbert Alfred Brown, *P. C. W.*
William Monroe Petrie, *Treasurer*,
James Ellsworth Thompson, *Recorder.*
James Francis Lyon, *C. of Guards.*
William Hewson Davis, *Conductor.*
John McIndeor, *Steward.*
Cephas Charles Olney, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Powell Samuel Lawson, *P. G. M.*,
William Monroe Petrie, *P. G. M.*,
John William Rock, *P. G. M.*,
John Hurley,
William Hewson Davis, *P. G. M.*,
Harry Ingham,
Richard Vaughan,
Richard Palmer Burr,
Alexander John Gardner,
David Farr,
Louis Cyrus Schindler,
William Alexander January,
Charles Richard Goss,
James Ellsworth Thompson,
George Dunn,
Daniel Hyman,
Thomas Joseph Hesson,
Theodore Jones Milliken,

SELECT MASTERS.

Alderson, Richard
Alexander, Robert
Alltucker, Henry
Anderson, Joseph Maurice
Baker, Alfred Septimus
Baldwin, William Hedges
Barton, Charles Thomas
Bassett, George Combs
Bassett, William Walter
Bates, Hugh Roland
Baugnman, Noble Henry
Beesley, Charles Henry

Bell, Henry Clay
Bittancourt, Thomas Maria
Block, Maurice
Book, Franklin Weaver
Booth, Albert Porch
Boyd, Joseph Charles
Bragg, Charles Lourin
Breuner, John
Breuner, Louis Frederick
Burgess, Alfred Llewellyn
Burnham, James Henry
Camp, James Glasby
Carlson, Charles Alfred
Carroll, Edgar Barclay
Casselli, Ansono
Champlin, Nelson
Chapman, George Warren
Chrisman, Elmer Judson
Church, William Smithers
Clark, George Harvey
Clauss, John
Clemons, William Strong
Cohn, Edward Francis
Cooledge, Isaac Baldwin
Coppersmith, Michael Thomas
Cothrin, William Kip
Cox, Thomas Jones
Curtis, William Albert
Cuthbert, William Williams
Davis, James Gilliland
De Coe, Culver Adam
Denson, Samuel Crawford
Derman, George Louis
Dierssen, George Ernest August
Dixon, William Henry
Douglas, William Wallace
Dreyer, Rasmus Peter Nielsen
Duden, Ellsworth Fred
Dunbar, Marcus William
Ettlinger, Bernard
Feldhusen, John Henry
Folger, Alfred Gilbert
Forney, Henry Hinkle
Fox, Thomas
Foye, William Robinson Smith
Frahm, Claus
Frommelt, Hugo
Gallatin, Albert
Gardner, Charles Francis
George, Wilbur Forest
Gerber, William Emil
Gett, William Andrew
Gillis, Dougald
Gray, Alexander Isaac
Gray, Arthur Irvine
Gray, Frank Livingstone
Guthrie, John William
Hale, Evert Wilburn
Hale, Marshall, Jr.
Hale, Prentiss Cobb
Hall, Harry William
Hall, Thomas Bertram
Hamilton, William Brown
Hammer, Mosheim Schumacher
Harvey, Edwin Henry
Harper, Horatius Thomas
Haynes, Edward
Haskell, Dudley Haines
Hatch, Wilbur March
Heilbron, Adolph
Heilbron, Henry August
Heisen, Charles, Jr.
Heintzelman, Taylor Washington
Heitman, John Henry
Herzog, Philip
Hollister, Charles Edwin
Hoover, Benjamin Vanzandt
Hopkins, Edwin Carmi
Hubbs, Anthony
Ilgner, Charles William
Jackson, William Franklin
Johnson, Frank Taylor
Johnson, Hiram Warren
Johnson, Israel Joseph
Johnson, Philip
Johnston, Alfred J.
Johnston, Presley Thomas
Johnston, William
Jordan, Leander Richard
Kercheval, Howard Douglas

Ketcham, Marvin Alonzo
Kiesel, Frederick William
Kimbrough, Richard Oscar
Kleinsorge, Henry Emil
Kleinsorge, William Edward
Klune, John Bernhard
Knights, William Durrant
Knights, William Rudd
Knox, William Frederick
Lane, George William
Lawson, Walter Brokaw
Lehrman, August Frederick
Levison, Jacob
Lightner, Bonus
Little, Christopher
Luce, John Coachman
Luhrs, Charles August
Lykins, Preston Lodwick
Mathews, Charles James
Marzen, Joseph, Jr.
McCandless, George Lindley
McCune, Henry Ewalt
McEntyre, Dan Hugh
McKee, Edwin Harvey
McKee, James Anderson
McLaughlin, William
McMarten, John Alexander
McMaster, James Curtin
Meister, August
Meister, George Albert
Menke, Anton
Meyer, Johann Gerhard
Miller, Dwight Henry
Mills, James Edgar
Molter, Jacob Philip
Morrison, James Mathew
Morton, Charles Wardle
Nichols, Arthur Lombard
Noack, Charles John
Ochsner, John
Olson, Alfred
O'Neil, James
Peck, Nelson Stanley
Perkins, Charles Calley
Peterson, William Frederick
Phillips, Charles Avery
Phipps, Charles Edward
Pike, John Elias Tucker
Platt, Philemon Eli
Pope, Samuel, Jr.
Prouty, William Harrison
Putnam, George Prescott
Randle, George Nelson
Rego, Edward Sutherland
Reid, Thomas Benton
Root, Charles Albert
Royster, William Alex
Scheunert, Carl Emil
Schmid, Emil
Schroth, John George
Scott, Thomas James
Sheldon, William Chauncey
Shonefelt, William Domer
Simmonds, William Shapel
Smith, Benjamin
Smith, Thomas
Springsted, Ernest Willard
Stephenson, Harley Howard
Stephenson, William Albert
Stevenson, Henry Llewellyn
Steffens, Joseph
Steinman, Bernard Ulmer
Stober, Frederick Conrad
Stoll, Benjamin Franklin
Sweany, John
Teichart, Adolph
Tozer, Charles Walter
Ulp, Alfred
Van Fleet, William Carey
Vaughn, Edward
Vermilya, Abram John
Wachhorst, Eugene Stuart
Walther, Charles Frederick
Welch, Benjamin
Welch, George Drake
Weil, Edward Adolph
White, George Amos
White, John Lysander
Wiard, William Frederick
Williams, Austin Daniel

Willis, Evander Berry
Winterburn, George Howard
Wood, Henry Clay
Wood, Thomas
Wood, William
Woodburn, Charles Gabriel
Woods, Victor Hugo
Woodward, George Allen
Wright, Charles Edward
Yardley, Herbert Edward
Young, John Nelles
Young, Lamartine Wilson—228

WITHDRAWN.

Carroll, Harry Winans—1

DIED.

Burchard, James Philo
Crocker, Henry Smith
Glover, Edwin
Graham, Louis Edgar
Hollister, Dwight
Laws, Robert James (Greeted May 30, 1904).
Hayward, Alvinza—7

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..218
Greeted .... 18—236
Withdrawn 1
Died 7
Now borne upon the roll.228—236

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL, NO. 2.

SAN FRANCISCO, SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Henry Ascroft, *Th. Ill. Master,*
Henry Nathaniel Hoffman, *D. I. M.,*
George Penlington, *Prin. C. W.,*
Charles Lord Field, *Treasurer.*
Franklin Henry Day, *Recorder.*
Albert Michael Wapple *C. of Guards,*
Michael John Kelley, *Conductor*
Marcus Getz, *Steward.*
Samuel David Mayer, *Orga*
Geo. Washington Perkins, *S*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Thomas Kyle, *P. G. M.,*
Franklin Henry Day, *P. G. M.,*
Charles Lord Field, *P. G. M.,*
George Penlington, *P. G. M*
Henry Ascroft, *P. G. M.,*
Robert Ash, *P. G. M.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Aigeltinger, Edward Hugo
Aitken, John R.
Alexander, Joseph
Allen, Richard Spicer
Andres, George Samuel
Andrews, Edwin Harold
Andrews, Thomas P.
Armstrong, George Robert
Ayers, Clarence Warwick
Baker, Charles Henry
Barbier, Howard Frederic
Barclay, Robert Henry
Bassett, Charles Follen
Bauer, Chris John
Bauer, George William
Baum, David Andrew
Baum, Simon
Benedict, Courtland Smith
Beretta, Ceasar Louis
Berry, De Los Tracy
Berry, John Lafayette
Bingham, William Alexander
Black, Howard
Blossom, Henry Eckford
Bohls, Henry
Bone, Charles
Bonney, Charles Sumner
Booth, Frank Edmund
Bragg, Robert
Bromley, George Tisdale
Browell, Jeremiah
Bruce, James Henderson
Brunings, John Henry
Bruns, Henry Frederick
Brunt, Walter Neat
Bullock, John Henry
Buswell, William Francis
Caley, John
Callinan, William
Campbell, Walter Chauncey
Chapman, Edward Kirk
Christian Ceasar
Clark, George Dickson
Cleve, Clarence Taylor
Clingman, George Evans
Cluness, William Ross
Coburn, Ira Winn
Code, Philip D.
Collins, William Henry
Conlisk, Charles William
Cook, Joseph Wheeler
Cook, Morton Leon
Cox, Alexander Middleton
Crim, William Henry
Crocker, Henry Joseph
Crocker, William Henry
Cross, Charles Vernon
Cumback, William Elbert
Daggett, John Randolph
Davies, Llewellyn
Davis, Burt Lincoln
Davis, Henry Harvey
Davis, Winfield Scott
Day, Thomas Henry
Decker, Charles William
De Lamare, Auguste Jacques
Dietterle, George
Dobler, Charles
Dodd, Willis Gorman
Dominguez, Richard Arthur
Dow, Edwin Tyson
Dragomanovich, Spiro S. G.
Duncan, Benjamin Beatty
Dunn, James
Dunne, James Patrick
Durbrow, Ross Lewis
Easton, Daniel Elisha Foote
Easton, Wendell
Eckart, William Roberts
Eddy, Richard A.
Edwards, Hugh Pugh
Edwards, William Harvey
Edwards, Thomas Clay
Eisner, Milton Sidney
Erdmann, Wm. George Berthold
Erlin, George Edwin
Eva, James Martin
Eva, Samuel James

Everding, James Campbell
Ewart, David Fraser
Ferguson, Phineas Fanning
Fetz, Joseph, Jr.
Feudner, Martin Otto
Filmer, George
Filmer, William Parker
Flint, Thomas
Foster, Arthur William
Fraser, John P.
Frolich, Theodore
Fuller, William Henry
Gage, William Stebbins
Garratt, Benjamin Franklin
Gehret, Frederick
Geilfuss, Carl
Giles, Frederick N.
Goldman, Max
Gordon, James Edward
Gould, Charles Walter
Grauerholz, Henry John
Gray, John Hatfield
Gray, William Smith
Green, Charles Ernest
Grover, William Silver
Gruenhagen, Charles Henry
Gruenhagen, Theo. Godlove
Haas, David Leopold
Hale, Reuben Brooks
Hall, Otho Norris
Hallett, Alonzo
Halloran, Joseph Francis
Hammond, Samuel Chester
Hanselman, Andrew
Hansen, Frederick Ludwig
Hare, Elias C.
Harris, Thomas Voel
Harris, Marshall C.
Hassler, William Charles
Hatch, James Henry
Hathorn, Ralph La Forest
Hauxhurst, Samuel Weeks
Hawks, James Lawrence
Hellwig, Christian
Henning, Hans Theodore
Heydenfeldt, Thomas Ochtreigh
Highton, Henry Edward
Hopkins, Timothy
Horn, Bernard Jeremiah
Horton, Thomas Rotch
Hubbard, Henry Calvin
Huested, Orson Justus
Huff, William Henry Routin
Humphreys, William Penn
Hutchings, Hiram Samuel
Isaacs, Edward Samuel
Jacobs, Albert
Jacobs, Albert Pocorny
Jellison, Benjamin Franklin
Jewett, George Albert
Johnson, Albert de Montfredy
Johnson, George
Jones, Edward Campbell
Keilus, Charles
Kent, Thaddeus Benning
Kern, Morris James
Kimball, Roy Thurston
King, Joseph Libbey
Kinne, Charles Mason
Kittredge, Ralph Bell
Klein, John Mathias
Koenig, Frank
Koenig, Friedrich H. W. D.
Kohler, Henry
Kramer, Louis George
Krieg, Anton
Ladd, Frank Bacon
Landgrebe, Robert George
Law, Hartland
Lawrence, William Babcock
Lee, John, Jr.
Lewers, Robert
Lewis, William
Lippman, George W.
Logan, Milburn Hill
Long, Herbert Clifton
Lowell, Albert Carroll
Lucas, Walter Edward
Lyman, William Whittingham
Lynch, Henry Hudson
Lyon, William Henry
MacBain, John

Madison, Henry Bennett
Mangrum, Arthur Sherman
Manner, Charles Vogt
Manning, Horatio Seymour
Marquis, Ferdinand P. C.
Marsh, John Alfred
Mayo, Henry Browne
McCarty, James
McDougall, Charles Campbell
McKellar, Norman
McMillan, Robert
Meigs, Anson Woodman
Merralls, William Augustus
Metzner, Charles Francis
Meyer, Arthur
Meyers, John Jacob
Miller, Thurlow Spragge
Mills, William Lucas Bisset
Monckton, Frank Daniel
Montealegre, Carlos Francisco
Moore, Andrew
Morgan, Charles Augustus
Mouser, Silas Mercer
Muller, Louis
Mundwyler, John Jacob
Murdock, George Leonard
Murphy, Charles He
Myrson, Simon
Neuhaus, Christian Henry Fred
Neustadter, Louis William
Newhall, Edwin White
Newman, George Howard
Nicholas, Nahum
Niles, Edward Jackson
Nopander, Louis Nicholas
Noteware, Edward Washington
Nuttall, Hasalom
O'Connor, Edward Arthur
O'Connor, Joseph
Otersen, Herman
Overgaard, Soren Knudson
Parker, Theodore Roosevelt
Patton, Charles Lewis
Payne, Warren Ritch
Peacock, William
Peck, Phillip
Perine, George Mairs
Perkins, Samuel Henry
Perley, Albion Starbird
Phillips, William Rippard
Pike, Charles William
Price, Thomas
Price, William Edmund
Prince, Henry Gilman
Raabe, Frederick Otto
Rennie, William
Ridley, Arthur Ernest Brooke
Rieser, Edwin Oliver
Robinson, Thomas Braceland
Roeder, William Frederick
Ryan, Michael
Sabin, John Ira
Samter, Marks
Savage, Michael Joseph
Schetzel, Adolph Georg
Schmidt, Henry
Schmidt, Valentine
Schnee, Gustave
Schomer, George
Schreiber, Martin August W.
Scott, Clarence Sydney
Scott, Henry Wilson
Seibel, Philipp
Shanks, Frederick Hemsley
Silverstein, Jacob
Siminoff, Morris
Smith, Lewis Warren
Smith, William Jacob
Soule, William Lloyd Garrison
Spaulding, James Garfield
Speier, Bernard
Stallman, Charles Christian
Starbird, Albion Wilson
Stephenson, Edward
Stockfleth, John
Stoddard, Augustus Wynne
Sumner, Frank William
Sussman, Samuel
Suydam, Charles Henry
Sykes, Charles Erastus
Taylor, George McClellan
Taylor, John Brinkworth

Thierbach, Charles Frederick
Thierbach, Louis Michael
Thomas, Harry Walter
Thompson, George
Thompson, George Howard
Thompson, Henry
Tonningsen, John
Trebell, Thomas
Troutt, James Morris
Turpin, Andrew Walker
Twomey, James
Van Bergen, Henry
Vanderhurst, William
Vaughan, Hiram G.
Veen, Frank Joseph
Von Staden, George
Von Wefelsburg, Alexander B.
Walker, Robert Andrew
Walter, Henry Franklin
Warwick, James Blain
Welch, Willard Choate, Jr.
Wendell, Clarence Theodore
Westphal, Otto Francis
Wetherbee, Charles
Wheaton, Milton Alverd
Whitcomb, Frank Randolph
Whitely, Henry Mallard
Williams, George Henry
Williams, Harry Alston
Willman, Alexander
Wilson, Charles Harold
Wisnom, John
Woodbury, Warren Dean
Woodside, Alexander
Young, James
Young, Shirley Trever—320

WITHDRAWN.

Brown, Henry Adams
Hall, Henry Drescher. (Greeted Dec. 7, 1904).
Keck, William Hugus. (Greeted Dec. 7, 1904).
Schmidt, George Wilhelm
Staubes, Charles. (Greeted) Dec. 7, 1904).
West, Edward Swift. (Greeted Dec, 7, 1904).—6

SUSPENDED NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Clifford, James Benjamin
DeGuerre, Albert Sydney Johnston.
Howes, Cyrus Pierce
Lent, Samuel Lancaster
Nagle, Richard Hamilton
Riley, John Francis
Wiley, George Adrian—7

EXCLUDED.

Bauer, Adolph Charles
Lewandowski, John Anthony
Soule, Arthur Calvin—3

DIED.

Bunker, Robert Elmer
Elliott, Charles Emery
Flint, Thomas, Sr.
Gagnon, Michael
Hromada, Adolph
Seymour, Simon Harry—6

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	6
		Suspended for N. P. D.	7
On roll per last report	313	Excluded	3
Greeted	27	Died	6
Affiliated	2—342	Now borne upon the roll	320—342

MARYSVILLE COUNCIL, No. 3.

MARYSVILLE, YUBA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Alexander Cameron Irwin, *Th. Ill. M.*
Wm. Andrew Lowery, *Dep.Ill.M.*,
Charles E. Stone, *P. C. of Works*,
Barnard Ross Boorman, *Treas.*,
James Fred Eastman, *Recorder*,
Albert Julius Menz, *C. of Guards*,
John George MacLellan, *Cond'r*,
Isaac Gabelle Cohn, *Steward*,
Peter Engel, *Organist*,
Amos Fisher, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles E. Stone,
Atkins Clark Bingham,
Meyer A. Marcuse,
Charles Milton Patterson,
Lemuel Trescott Crane,
Frank B. Miller,
William Andrew Lowery,
Alexander Cameron Irwin,

SELECT MASTERS.

Ayer, Leonard Barnard
Belcher, Richard
Berry, James McConnell
Boyd, John Duncan
Brockman, John Henry
Buttelman, Frederick William
Carpenter, George Washington
Durfee, Joseph
Ellis, William Turner
Ewell, Samuel
Gribner, George Thomas
Griffith, Irwin
Hauss, Ferdinand
Hochstadter, Simon
Hopkins, Allen Bruscup
Hutchins, Gavin Walker
Krause, Frederick Low
Lewek, Solomon
Mould, William
Peacock, William Flint
Peck, William Francis
Price, Charles John
Sanborn, Miles Edward
Schuler, Conrad
Sieber, Henry Frederick
Skinner, Randolph Whitney
Slingsby, William
Stafford, William Henry—43.

RESTORED.

Krause, Frederick Low—1.

EXCLUDED.

Burner, Henry—1.

DIED.

Crew, Alexander Hill
Rogers, Samuel Josiah Smith—2.

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report....45
Restored . ..... 1— 46
Excluded 1
Died 2
Now borne upon the roll.43— 46

SONORA COUNCIL, No. 5.

SONORA, TUOLUMNE COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS.

William Lyman Hood, *T. Ill M.*,
Nils Ladefoged Knudsen, *D. Ill. M.*,
Harry John Howell, *Prin.C.ofW.*,
Thomas Arthur Stiles Hender, *Tr.*,
William Edwin Burden, *Recorder*,
Charles Henry Burden, *C. of Guards*,
Alonzo Colby, *Conductor*,
James Henriksen, *Steward*
Abraham Barlow, *Sentinel*.

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Eduard Keil, G. M.
Frank Wilson Street,
Crittenden Hampton,
William Lyman Hood.

SELECT MASTERS.

Adair, Charles Francis
Allgewahr, George
Allgewahr, Louis
Arendt, Michael
Ball, Cary
Barton, Eugene Hamilton
Batten, John Henry
Beedle, Frederick Charles
Belli, Caesar Arthur
Belloni, Mark John Baptist
Blood, Harvey Spaulding
Carmichael, Neil
Clough, Fred'k Warren
Coffill, Harris James
Cooley, John
Cramer, Herman, Jr.
Driver, David Bakie
Eastman, William White
Eslick, Charles
Emery, Wm. Ethelbert
Engstrom, Chas. Otto
Evans, Job Montgomery
Fontana, Charles Domenick
Flanders, Harry J.
Fraser, Gregor Grant
Garland, Warren Nathaniel
Gould, Elisha Tolman
Graebe, Alfred Eugene
Johns, Henry
Johns, Samuel Joseph
Johnson, Peter
Koch, Wlliam Alexander
Lagomarsino, James
Lane, Tom Travis
Langford, James Terry
Linsley, Carlos Shelton
Littlefield, John Franklin
Long, Wilbur
Loring, William Joseph
Madson, Arthur Gustave
Manuel, Mathew Henry
McLaren, Duncan Allen
Miller, John Jacob
Miller, Valentine William
Morgan, Frank Albert
Morgan, George Philip
Morgans, Morgan Philip
Morrow, George Washington
Nickerson, Ralph Byron
Nicol, George Woodburn
Nuner, Charles Glover
Nuner, William Marble, Jr.

O'Connell, Chas. Augustus
Oliver, Dew Rodger
Obrien, James Tomothy
O'Connell, John Henry
Paulsen, Hans Christian
Poe, Adam W.
Potts, Warren Charles
Preston, Howard Alvin
Raggio, Joseph
Rainville, Alfred Hercules
Ratz, Frederick Henry
Roberts, David E.
Rose, Warren
Sharwood, William
Shine, John Henry
Slator, Thomas Henry
Smullen, Joseph Milton
Stratton, Daniel Edgar
Street, Charles Edward
Stuckey, Simon Fillmore
Suess, Ignatz
Thompson, James Thomas
Thow, George
Veal, John
Wells, Thomas Washington
Wells, Frank Clinton
Wiemer, William
Witney, John Lorin
Yossi, John Frederick—93.

DIED.

Jonhnson, Andrew Porter
Patterson, Archibald—2.

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report...53
Greeted . .....42— 95
Died 2
Now borne upon the roll.93— 95

SHASTA COUNCIL, No. 6.

REDDING, SHASTA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Morris Mehon, *Th. Ill. Master,*
Albert Frederick Ross, *D.Ill.M.,*
John William Garden, *P. C. W.,*
Charles Jocobson, *Treasurer*
Adolphus Bystle, *Recorder*
Aldis, I. Ashcroft, *C. of the Guards,*
Franklin Pierce Prim, *Conductor*
Reuben Hoyle, *Steward,*
Francis Xavier Labonte, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Albert Frederick Ross,
Morris Mehon

SELECT MASTERS.

Andrews, William
Beard, John Samuel
Boswell, William Alexander
Brown, Ancil Lycurgus
Cahoone, William Brower
Fish, William Andrew
Gardner, Elias Delevan
Garrabrant, Frank H.

Gillispie, William J.
Hansen, James Dudley
Hawkins, Divine Zacharias
Hoyle, John E.
Hunt, William Broderick
Hurst, Ferdinand
Lambson, Giles Hamman
Lowden, William Spencer
McCoy, Leo Lewis
McCrum, Benjamin
Murphy, Sylvanus Everett
Nichols, James Levin
Overmeyer, Charles Edwin
Reynolds, John Edward
Richardson, James Lee
Rosland, Oscar O.
Rowles, James
Satterlee, Frank Peck
Schroter, Gunther F. C.
Scranton, Jewett
Smith, Champion W.
Stephenson, John Nicholas
Strode, John Sale
Strode, George Crone
Sweeny, Edward
Teass, James Chester
Weil, Joseph—44.

SUSPENDED NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Hall, Joseph N.
Kimball, Gorham Gates
Miller, Thomas Love
Nicholson, Thomas Jamerson
Schoenfeld, Solomon David
Wimmer, James Moses—6.

DIED.

Bell, Joseph Evans
Blossom, Robert Hurd
Scott, John V.—3.

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report...53
Suspended for N. P. D... 6
Died 3
Now borne upon the roll..44— 53

HELENA COUNCIL, No. 9.

HELENA, MONTANA.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each Month.

OFFICERS.

Joseph J. Hindson, *Th. Ill. M.*
James F. McNamee, *D. Ill. M.*,
Francis Doremus Jones. *P. C. of W.*,
Michael Reinig, *Treasurer*,
George Booker, *Recorder*,
David W. Middlemas, *C. of Guards*
H. Solomon Hepner, *Conductor*,
Albert D. Parchen, *Steward*,
Henry Cowden, *Sentinel*.

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Cornelius Hedges, Sr.,
Walter E. Frederick,
Henry M. Parchen.

SELECT MASTERS.

Bennett, William G.
Cater, Charles S.
Cook, Andrew B.
Cummings, Pat W.
Day, Edward Cason
Easterly, Allen M.
Featherman, James Benjamin
Featherman, John A.
Garrett, Clarence B.
Hedges, Cornelius, Jr.
Henry, Daniel B.
Holter, Anton M.
Holter, Martin M.
Jones, Louis L.
Kirkendall, Thomas B.
Kleinschmidt, Theodore H.
Lockey, Richard, Sr.
Lombard, Halsey W.
McCann, William Henry
Nolan, Cornelius B.
Palmer, Alex L.
Robinson, Jeremiah
Schwab, Samuel
Sederburg, Albert W.
Sommers, Henry
Stewart, William Wallace
Strong, Harry
Switzer, Jacob
Tatem, Benjamin Hutchinson
Turton, John Booth
Walker, Jacob Longacre
Wood, George R.
Wommelsdorf, Emil—45.

WITHDRAWN.

Neill, Edward D.
Walk, Walter W—2.

DIED.

Edgar, Alfred Douglas
Gates, Albert R.
Hathaway, James W.—3.

RECAPITULATION.

On roll last report.....50
Withdrawn 2
Died 3
Now borne upon the roll.45— 50

STOCKTON COUNCIL, No. 10.

STOCKTON, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Charles Willis Norton, *T. Ill. M.*,
William Peter Steinbeck, *D. Ill. M.*
Durrett Oliver Castle, *P. C. W.*,
John Yardley, *Treasurer*
Arthur Morgan Noble, *Recorder*
Henry Ephraim Robbins, *C. of G.*
Charles Campbell Adams, *Con.*
Flavel Gaylord Hickox, *Steward*,
William Henry Lorenz, *Organist*,
Charles Edward Howe, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Abraham Davies, *P.G.M.*,
Edward Richards Hedges, *P.G.M.*,
Alexander Chalmers,
Calhoun Soltan Frederick

SELECT MASTERS.

Bennett, Paul Witherly
Blodgett, John Millard
Bradford, George Hosack
Briscoe, Henry Ferguson
Brown, George Albert, Jr.
Brown, Philip Thomas
Caine, John
Catts, George Elbert
Claiborne, Gilbert Burnet
Clark, Fred Pope
Cobb, Frank Dyckman
Cowper-Thwaite, Edward
Cross, Samuel Nelson
Dalby, Samuel Price
Dickinson, Frank
Farnsworth, Clovis Alonzo
Finnell, Michael
Fitzgerald, William Wesley
Fraser, Philip Barry
Friedberger, Arnold
Friedberger, Leo
Garwood, John
Gersbacher, Joshua Barre
Grunsky, Eugene Moritz
Hadcock, David
Harrison, William Bruce
Henderson, Milton Pierce
Henderson, Orrin Staples
Jory, John
Kennedy, Hallie Charles
Keyes, Henry Calcutt
Kincaid, Fred Llewellyn
Krog, Peter Christian
Lane, Frank Ellis
Langford, George William
Latta, Samuel Elkenbarry
Mallett, Albert
McKenzie, Geo. Alexander, *P.G.M.*
McLeo, John H.
McNoble, George Francis
Meyer, Fred Olin
Meyer, Herman Corson
Miller, John Henry
Muenter, August Edward
Peart, Luke W.
Peterson, Richard Letcher
Phipps, William Grant
Powell, Barton Jerome
Rhodes, William Henry Harrison
Robertson, Peter Sterling
Robinson, Isaac Henry
Roe, Joseph William
Rolerson, Benjamin Franklin
Russell, Richard William
Schlichtman, Claus
Seeley, John Whitney
Sibley, Walton Frank
Sink, Reuben Henry
Smith, Frank Hartford
Smith, James Webb
Smith, William Treat
Snow, William
Stewart, Edward Clement
Stone, William Henry
Swain, Joseph Henry
Tatterson, Arthur Potter
Tatterson, George Watson
Thompson, Edward Rees
Tindall, Pleasant Hay—83.

RESTORED.

Sperry, George Barker—1.

WITHDRAWN.

Sperry, George Barker—1.

DIED.

Buckland, Leonard Harrison
Shaw, Henry Coffin
Swain, Cornelius
Wittenmyer, Lewis Cass—4.

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	84	Withdrawn	1
Greeted	3	Died	4
Restored	1— 88	Now borne upon the roll	83— 88

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL, No. 11.

LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Wm. Henry Gaynor, *T. Ill. M.*,
Wm. Edwin Chamberlain, *D. Ill. M.*,
Charles Sherman Anderson, *P. C. W.*,
Walter Clements Durgin, *Treas.*,
Warren Edward Rowley, *Rec'd'r.*,
Dana Reid Weller, *Capt. of G'ds.*
Herman Oscar Vogel, *Steward*
Wm. Hutchinson Henderson, *Org.*
Edward Hall Miller, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Henry Sayre Orme, *P. G. M.*,
Granville Quincy Stewart,
Robert Gilmore Cunningham,
August Wackerbarth, *P. G. M.*,
Wm. Byron Scarborough, *P. G. M.*,
David Monroe Sutherland, *P. G. M.*,
John Francis Hughes,
Willis Milnor Dixon,
Warren Edward Rowley.

SELECT MASTERS.

Abbott, Adelbert Starr,
Adams, Horace Bishop
Adcock, Robert James
Alexander, Chas. Ambrose
Amlin, John L.
Anderson, John Francis
Armstrong, George
Arnold, William Ralph
Arnoldt, Herman
Avery, Hilbert King
Aylsworth, George Webb
Bacon, George
Bagby, Edwin Hanson
Bagley, Charles Leland
Baker, Charles Edwin
Balch, Allen Christopher

Bailey, John T.
Baldwin, Cornelius Vanoy
Barrow, Thomas Martin
Barto, Fred Oliver
Baxter, Samuel Cashier
Bean, John Hill
Beattie, Robert Fountain
Beckett, Wesley Wilbur
Beer, James Clark
Belcher, Harry Arthur
Benbrook, Charles Mallard
Berg, Christian Gottlieb
Berger, Andrew S.
Bernard, Gustav Adolph George
Berner, John Bismarck
Bicknell, John Dustin
Biescar, Henry
Bille, Marsello
Billington, Theophilus
Blackmer, Eli Tucker
Blackstone, Henry Winthrop
Blades, Paul Harcourt
Bliesner, William John
Bosbyshell, William
Boswell, Frank Moore
Bourne, John Franklin
Bowen, John Wesley
Bradbeer, James H.
Bradford, Charles Raymond
Bradish, Avery Jackson
Branch, John Franklin
Brauer, Adolph Karl
Braun, Henry
Bresee, Phineas Wright
Brill, William
Brink, John Edward
Brode, Alexander Charles
Brode, Walter Charles
Brookman, Arthur
Brooks, Frank Handy
Brown, Charles Milton
Brown, John Alexander
Browning, Charles Clifton
Bryson, Frank
Bryson, George Washington
Buchanan, James Alexander
Buffum, Frank
Bulla, Robert Nelson
Burgwald, Hugo Mathias
Burkhardt, Adolph
Burns, Orin L.
Burns, Robert Wallace
Burr, Charles Martin
Burr, John
Campbell, Alfred Quincy
Campbell, John Mis
Cannon, John Stevens
Carlson, Carl Otto
Carr, Joseph Elmer
Caswell, William Mitchell
Catey, Stacey Francis
Cave, Daniel
Chase, Lucius Kurtz
Clark, Herbert Hamilton
Cline, William
Coate, Henry R.
Cobb, Edward Sigourney
Coe, Edmund Wallace
Cohn, Elias
Colbert, Patrick
Conradi, Simon
Cook, George Washington
Cooksey, Job Emit
Coombes, Willard E.
Conrey, Nathaniel Parrish
Collins, Burton Vincent
Copp, Andrew James, Jr.
Cornes, Frank Jay
Cox, Robert Lee
Crawford, James Seth
Cribb, John Caborn
Cunningham, Frank R.
Cunningham, John Calvin
Daniels, Albert Julius
Davis, Harvey
Dawson, John Bennett
Dewey, James Henry
Dick, James William
Dill, Robbie Everett
Dillingham, Frank Stinson

Donnell, John Alexander
Drain, John Hamilton
Drought, Robert
Duffill, Harry
Duffie, John Jefferson
Dunham, James Elias
Dunsmoor, Cylos Taylor
Dunsmoor, John Marcus
Dutcher, Claude Elmer
Eager, Charles Lucius
Eason, Charles Horace
Eckstrom, Albert Axel
Ehlers, Peter William
Eichelberger, Harry Martin
Elliott, Elmer Ellsworth
Eldridge, Septimus Tustin
Ellis, Henry Bertrand
Everhardy, Mathew Wm.
Fairchild, John Anthony
Faust, Willis, Jr.
Ferbert, John C.
Ferris, Horace Bayles
Field, Benjamin Franklin
Fiscus, Joseph
Fisher, Donnell George
Fitch, George Atkins
Flint, Frank Putnam
Flint, Motley Hewes
Folsom, Niles Rathbone
Fordham, Milton Cephas
Foshay, James A.
Fraisher, Robert Love
Francis, Ira Johnson
Fraser, Leonidas Polk
Garthside, Joseph Relton
Gehrkens, William Henry
Gibson, Leo La Forest
Gillis, Robert Cowan
Glass, Henry
Goehring, John George
Gotthelf, David
Granicher, Oswald
Greene, Emery Taylor
Greppin, Ernest Henry
Grubb, Oscar Edwin
Guthrie, Finis William
Habel, George Henry
Hale, Frank Seraph
Hamburger, Moses Asher
Hamilton, Harley Erastus
Hammond, Wm. T. Sherman
Hanselman, John Wesley
Harper, Arthur Cyprian
Harris, Murray McCheyenne
Harrison, William Henry
Hart, Alexander Hamilton
Hart, Dwight Howard
Hart, Frank John
Hart, George Alandson
Haskell, John Condit
Haydock, Clarence
Heartt, Charles Lawrence
Heartt, Burton Elmer
Henderson Andrew
Henderson, John Blanchard
Henderson, Wm. Alexander
Henry, James Wheaton
Henshey, Benjamin Botsford
Herr, George Frederick
Herron, Fred Irvine
Herron, Rufus Hills
Hervey, William Rhodes
Hiatt, William Macy
Hines, Fred Amos
Hoagland, Robert Stout
Holcombe, Arthur Lovell
Holland, Lauren Thomas
Hollingsworth, Wm. Irving
Hollis, George Henry
Homeyer, Albert Von
Houselibe, William John
Howard, Perry Alonzo
Howe, Edward Tucker
Howry, Charles DeForest
Hubbard, William Lewis
Humphreys, William Morgan
Iftiger, Hugo Julius
Jacobi, Louis
Jarrett, Benjamin Samuel
Jeffries, John Henry

Jenkins, John Joseph
Johnson, William M.
Jones, John Taylor
Jones, Mark G.
Jordan, Franklin
Jeffries, William Parish
Jeffries, William Thomas
Keller, Will Edward
Kennedy, Lewis H.
Kieth, George Frank
Kingsbury, Homer P. D.
Kingsbury, William S.
Kingsley, John Amos
Kinney, Arthur Wilson
Kirkland, Derwentwater
Kitchen, John Franklin
Knickerbocker, Niles
Koyer, Arthur Sheppard
Krempel, John Paul
Krohn, Henry George
Kyte, George Irvin
Lamb, Stacy Caldwell
Lander, Benjamin Stewart
Lang, Fred Selwyn
Latsch, Theo. Martin
Leix, Frederick
Levy, Michael
Lewis, Edward William
Lloyd, Charles
Logan, George Burkett
Long, James William
Louis, Emanuel J.
Lovell, Lawrence Archer
Lovett, William Watson
Luckenback, John
Mack, Patrick Henry
Mackay, George Grant
Magee, Robert
Maier, Simon
Malone, Augustine Charles
Marden, Leo Wallace
Mart, Charles
Martin, Julius Herbert
Masters, John Henry
Masters, Robert Emmett
Matheson, John Luther
Mayo, Harmon Jeff
McAllister, Frank Allister
McAllister, James Pinkerton
McClurkin, Wm. John
McCollough, Alex M. F.
McComas, Charles
McCoy, David Allen
McCray, Morris Lynn
McFie, William Thomas
McGaffin, Albert Henry
McGarvin, Donne Clio
McLeod, John A.
Mead, Charles Abiel
Mead, William Howard
Mears, Charles Franklin
Medwina, John Blancarte
Melczer, Joseph
Mercer, Preston R.
Merrill, Joseph Lane
Merwin, Andrew Homer
Meserve, Frank Pierce
Miller, Robert Warren
Mitchell, Charles Edward
Moore, Elmer Ellsworth
Moore, Thomas Edward
Morgan, Oscar Crellin
Morgan, William Brazelton
Morrison, Wm. Edward Domville
Morton, John Jay
Mott, Albert Clark
Mueller, Oscar Charles
Murphy, Claire Warren
Murphy, Joseph Lannes
Murray, Alexander Wilson
Murray, John Emmett
Mussey, Nathaniel Dickson
Myrick, Nathaniel Willis
Nevins, Leon Wesley
Nicholls, Andrew
Nightingale, John Henry
Noble, Wm. C. Hayes
Off, John William Arnold
Owens, Madison Townsend
Pallette, Edward M.

Parker, Francis Marion
Patterson, Charles Edgar
Paul, John Rink
Pease, Niles
Pease, Sherman
Peck, Daniel Gauger
Peel, Theo. Leo
Pendell, Charles Elisha
Perry, John Sergent
Pettebone, Henry Wells
Pfaffinger, Frank Xavier
Pierce, Clarence W.
Pierce, Darwin Willson
Pillsbury, George Eber
Poundstone, Jacob
Powers, Edward Everett
Preston, Jasper Newton
Raze, Arthur Eldridge
Rebman, John
Rees, Bert
Reid, James Arthur
Renfro, Alva D.
Rhodes, Allin Lee
Rideout, William Andrew
Riggle, Elmer Willis
Rising, Franklin Edward
Rockwell, Lorenzo Anson
Roeder, Henry
Rogers, Read Wyman
Rohrer, John Bonewitz
Ross, Frederick William
Routzahn, Willis Harsey
Rule, Ferd Kennett
Ruskamp, Chas. D.
Salisbury, Samuel Scott
Scheerer, Conrad
Schmidt, Fred Wilhelm Theodore
Schoder, Howard J.
Schrieber, William George
Schwaebe, Lewis Henry
Sebastian, Charles Edward
Selph, Edgar Eugene
Sexton, Charles Wesley
Shannon, Wm. Alexander
Shelton, Harry Ashton
Sherman, Moses Hazeltine
Shoemaker, Fred Wilcox
Simms, John H.
Simmons, Vinton Delos
Skinner, Alden W.
Slater, Joseph Karl
Small, Richard Ellsworth
Smalley, John Newton
Smart, George Joseph
Smith, Benjamin N.
Smith, Everett Russell
Smith, Horace Osbun
Smith, Joseph Augustus
Smith, Melvin David
Smith, William Albert
Snow, Harry L.
Snowden, Joshua Hazelrigg
Snyder, Meredith Pinxton
Spaulding, Fred Leverett
Spence, William Glenn
Spencer, Isom Lindsay
Spinks, Wallace Humphrey
Stansbury, Charles
Starbuck, Henry Fletcher
Stephens, William Dennison
Stewart, George Hadley
Storrow, Samuel
Strassburg, Edward
Streicher, Michael
Stewart, Albert Inlus
Strohm, Thomas
Sweet, Otto
Tanner, Wilson Gustin
Taylor, Harry Holland
Teagle, Leander Allen
Thayer, Joseph Harriot
Thompson, Chas. Wesley, Jr.
Thompson, Chester Weaver
Thompson, J. Scott Vance De C.
Thompson, William Edward
Thompson, Robert Mossman
Tower, Harry Dooley
Train, Robert Farquhar
Trobec, John August
Tuttle, Victor Hugo

Urmston, John Kreck
Valiant, George Francis
Valentine, Wm. Lucas
Vandervort, James
Van Doren, John Suydam
Van Nuys, Isaac Newton
Variel, Robert Henry Fauntleroy
Vawter, Edwin James
Vetter, Louis Fisher
Vignolo, Ambrogio
Volkman, Martin Frederick
Wade, Robert David
Walker, Daniel Henry
Wankowski, Robert
Ward, Ben E.
Ward, Perl Adelbert
Ward, William Henry
Wardell, Ralph Hewitt
Weber, John
Webster, James William
Weidner, Peter
Welch, William Ormond
Werdin, Ernest Rudolph
Westcott, Otis Horton
West, George Miller
West, Henry Hebard
Wheeler, Emanuel Randolph
Wheeler, Horace Marcellus
White, William
Whiting, Perry
Whitman, William Colfax
Whitney, Grant Ulysses
Williams, Herbert George
Willis, Frank Rominar
Wohlfarth, August
Wood, Charles Modini
Wreden, Carl Von
Yarnell, Caleb Amos
Yost, Charles
Young, John William
Youngworth, Leo Valtus
Zaiser, Lewis G.—435

RESTORED.

Heartt, Charles Lawrence—1

WITHDRAWN.

King, John
Miller, John McCalmont
Smith, Charles Alton—3.

SUSPENDED NON-PAYMENT DUES.

Ludlow, George Watson
Schuler, Lewis Herman
Talmage, James Clarke—3.

DIED.

Bullis, Omri
Carper, Philip Daniel
Suits, Elihu Daniel
Uhl, George—4.

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	378	Withdrawn	3
Greeted	66	Suspended N. P. D.	3
Restored	1—445	Died	4
		Now borne upon the roll	435—445

OAKLAND COUNCIL, No. 12.

OAKLAND, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, fifth Thursday of months having five Thursdays.

OFFICERS.

Frank Reeve Woolsey, *Th. Ill., M.,*
Fred Duane Voorhees, *Dep. Ill. M.,*
Edward Harrison Morgan, *P. C. W.,*
James Bestor Merritt, *Treasurer,*
George Henry Smith, *Recorder,*
Charles Frank Thomas, *Capt. of G.,*
Henry Schwarz, *Conductor,*
John A. Sansom, *Steward,*
Robert Griffith Evans, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James Bestor Merritt, *P. G. M.,*
W. Frank Pierce, *P. G. M.,*
Edward Harrison Morgan,
Webb Nicholson Pearce,
Edwin Allen Sherman,
Eugene Carmeny,
Edward Constant Robinson,
William Clay Smith,
Robert Edgar,
Amasa Wright Bishop,
Augustus Lewis Ott,
Damien Edmont Fortin,
Albert H. Merritt, *P. G. M.,*
John Alexander Britton,
George Henry Smith,
Charles Herbert Wever,
George Washington Boxley,
William James Chesney.

SELECT MASTERS.

Aiken, Ilo Rafuel
Allen, Chas. Hamilton
Austin, George William
Austin, Harry
Avery, Mark Herbert
Bacon, Gilman William
Badger, Thomas Norman
Bahls, Richard
Baker, Alvin W.
Barry, William
Bates, Joseph Clement
Beckwith, John A.
Bell, Harmon
Beretta, Italo A.
Bergsten, Oscar Paulus
Bice, John
Bilger, Frank William
Blohm, Charles Henry
Borton, Chester Cooper
Breed, Arthur Hastings
Brown, Lewis Henry
Browne, Henry Rosekrans
Brunner, Henry Ernest
Bullock, Richard Steele
Burrell, Alfred William
Burt, Frederick Leslie
Buteau, Samuel Hall
Button, Fred Lawrence
Cahill, Patrick
Carman, Frank Vanvy
Carpenter, Arthur Eugene
Chalmers, George Fred
Clark, William Amir
Clawiter, Edward Henry
Cohen, Abraham S.
Cole, James Cairns

Cook, Frank Bigelow
Corder, Arthur Elmer
Cowell, Charles Herbert
Cozzens, Arthur Eugene
Crellin, Thomas Arthur
Crooks, John Chisholm
Crossman, William Thomas
Cull, Frank Davenport
Cushing, Frank Worthy
Dailey, William Curtis
Dakin, Frederick Holroyd
Dallam, Fred Boothby
Dallerup, John
Dalton, Henry Philip
Davis, Judson Milton
Davis, Lucien Dwight
Degan, Ludolph Philip
DeGolia, George Ellis
De La Montanya, Harry Orton
Dibert, Wayne Clay
Doane, Raymond Orrin
Dondero, Aurelio Geo.
Douglass, Charles Henry
Dubbs, Willis Snowden
Dudley, William Moses
Earl, Guy Chaffee
Edward, Ambrose Frederick
Emerson, Harry Wylie
Emigh, Thomas Powell
Evans, Charles
Evers, John Henry
Ferrier, Francis
Fisher, George Cresse
Flood, Alfred James
Foster, Newell Kelley
French, Robert Ellsworth
Friend, Roger Benjamin
Fulton, William
Gibson, Charles Luke
Gilbert, Ethan Allen
Glines, Herbert Atherton
Gompertz, Walter Alexander
Graham, Francis Elmer
Graham, Robert Grant
Granger, Farley Benjamin
Grau, Edward Arnold
Gray, Roscoe Spaulding
Gregory, Calvin Levi
Gunn, Adam Francis
Hahn, Henry Casper
Handy, Brayton Everington
Hansen, Albert Lauritz
Hansen, Hans Peter
Hansen, Peter Christian
Harper, Fred Fogg Gale
Harrigan, John Wm.
Havard, Richard Daniel
Hawes, Benjamin Cowell
Hayes, Daniel Edward
Heeseman, Charles J.
Hellwig, George Peter
Hewes, Charles Leslie
Hill, Otis
Holmgren, John Alexander
Hopper, John Frederick E.
Horner, Charles F.
Howland, Eli
Hughes, Edward Floyd
Hume, William Robert
Hunt, Charles Melville
Huxley, Thomas Charles
Jackson, Alton Cass
James, Edward Harrison
Johnson, Christian Ole
Jones, Algernon Sydney
Kales, Martin William
Keiser, Chris
Kelsey, John Edson
Kempkey, Augustus F. K.
Kendall, Alpheus
Knowland, Joseph
Knowland, Joseph Alexander
Kolz, Robert A. F.
Koser, Newton Alexander
Leach, Abraham Powell
Loch, Frederick William
Long, Charles Stuart
Lord, Carlos Reuben
Love, Charles Allen
Love, Thomas

Loy, William Edward
Magill, Arthur Edward
MacLafferty, Charles P.
Makins, Joseph Henry
Manuel, Walter Griswold
Marlin, Henry B.
Martin, Daniel Wilkins
Martin, John
Mauzy, Byron
May, Henry
McClain, Joseph
McClymonds, John William
McKeen, Albert Atwater
McLaughlin, Charles Weldy
McNulty, Harry James
Meek, Harry Wert
Meek. Rudolph Wallace
Meek, William Ellsworth
Meese, Constant
Meredith, James Washington
Metcalf, George Dickson
Metcalf, Solon Theres
Michaels, Henry
Miller, Charles Howard
Miller, Thomas Irving
Minor, Robert
Mobley, Warren G.
Morris, Moses
Mott, Frank Kanning
Moulthrop, Carlton Francis
Moulthrop, Willey Howard
Murphy, James Joseph
Nash, Chester Bell
Nordman, Artilus Fordnand
Nordman, Peter
Nutting, Charles Wilber
O'Donnell, Francis Henry E.
Ohea, George Harvey
O'Neill, Peter J.
Ott, Charles Frederick
Overacker, Charles B.
Owen, Wm. Henry Searls
Parsons, Albert S.
Patterson, Albert Louis Crandall
Payne, George Henry
Phillips, John Waterman
Petherick, John Henry
Pierce, Charles Dexter
Piercy, Arthur Thomas
Platt, Samuel J.
Price, Wallace Covert
Prindle, Edward C.
Prowse, Charles
Ramage, Andrew
Randall, Charles Wells
Redington, Charles Henry
Reist, Jay Harry
Revalk, Richard Emil
Richardson, Friend William
Robins, Henry Russell
Robertson, Albert Atwater
Robertson, Daniel
Rodolph, Frank Bequette
Roeth, George
Russell, Thomas Bartlett
Sandelin, Charles Frederick
Sargeant, Edwin Lyman
Seller, John
Schindler, Henry Bernard
Schleuter, Edward C.
Schleuter, Herman F.
Schrock, Wm. A.
Scott, George Amos
Scott, John Walter
Slater, Urates Majer
Smilie, Alexander Innes
Smith, Graham
Smith, Kirby Bounty
Spreckels, Richard
Standeford, William Burt
Stromgren, Gustav Adolph
Strong, Milton Grosvener
Swain, Herschel Vespucian, Jr.
Tayler, James Howard
Thomas, Charles Goodwin
Thompson, Robert Crawford
Tuttle, Hiram Sinclair
Volmer, Rudolph
Walker, Percy John
Walsh, Edward Marion

Wanger, Gustav Adolf
Watson, Franklin Granville
Webster, Leander Rankin
Weilbye, Julius Lars
Weilbye, William Hansen
Werner, Edward Peter
Westlake, Leonard John
Whipple, Edwin
Whitlatch, Daniel Harry
Whitmore, Welles
Wight, Frederick Gordon
Wilder, James Chase
Wilkes, Farrington
Wilkes, William E.
Williams, John
Williamson, Willard Forsyth
Winchell, Colvin S.
Wood, Herbert Anthony
Woodin, Eugene
Woolsey, Philip Sheridan
Wright, Cyrus Smith
Wyllie, Robert P.
Yablonsky, John—263

RESTORED.

Samson, Martin M—1.

DIED.

Goodman, George
Samson, Martin M.
Eli, Ralph Asahel
Gilpin, Zachary Taylor—4.

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report...252
Greeted 12
Affiliated 2
Restored .... 1—267
Died 4
Now borne upon the roll.263—267

GATEWAY COUNCIL, No. 13.

AUBURN, PLACER COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Preston Washington Smith, *Th. Ill. M.*,
Joseph Marie Francis, *Dep. Ill. M.*,
William Isaac May, *Prin. C. W.*,
Alfred Lovell Smith, *Treasurer*,
David Wlademer Lubeck, *Recd'r.*,
Alexander Kelley Robinson, *C. of Guards*,
Charles Nelson Shane, *Con.*
John Coleman Safford, *Steward*,
Thomas Milton Todd, *Organist*,
Martin Michael, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Jacob Hart Neff, *P. G. M.*,
John Gould Bisbee, *P. G. M.*,
John Mathias Fulweiler.

SELECT MASTERS.

Akers, Charles Duval
Allen, George Eugene
Anderson, Albert Wallace
Anderson, William Craig
Bell, Joseph Vincent
Birdsall, Ernest Stratton
Brown, Edward Doyle
Chappellet, Felix, Jr.
Coombs, William
Cowan, Gordon Robinson
Crowell, William Albert
Curtis, Henry Chittenden
Davis, Frederick Calvin
Delano, Ira Lemuel
Disque, Henry
Duggan, Charles Martin
Fulton, Jonathan
Gladding, Albert James
Haenny, John
Harris, George I.
Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette
Hohfeld, Edward
Jansen, Walter
Kendall, Edward John
Lardner, William Branson
Linninger, Michael David
Mardis, Benjamin Allen
Martin, Charles
McAninch, John
McAulay, George
McCracken, Wm. James
Millard, George Ellis
Moore, John Thomas
Nelson, Charles Robert
Nicholls, Wm., Jr.
Pemberton, George Francis
Power, Harold Thomas
Powers, Amos Mathews
Roberts, Robert William
Rooney, Robert Fleming
Smith, Benjamn Franklin
Sparks, William Martin
Stevens, Amos
Stevens, Frederick Solon
Stevenson, Thomas
Woodard, John Carlton—59

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report.....54
Greeted .... 5—59
Now borne upon the roll.....59

SANTA ANA COUNCIL, No. 14.

SANTA ANA, ORANGE COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

James Wm. Towner, *T. Ill. M.*,
Addison Crockett Bowers, *D. Ill. M.*,
Leonard Frank Harvey, *Prin. C. W.*,
Robert Francis Chilton, *Treas.*,
Alan Fowler Smith, *Recorder*,
Max Reinhaus, *Capt. of Guards*,
Linn Lee Shaw, *Conductor*,
George Pliny Hill, *Steward*.
George Eddie Robinson, *Sentinel*.

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James William Towner,
James Hedges Hall,
James Dean Wilder,
Edwin Dumont Buss.

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, John Nelson
Balcom, Balys Greenwood
Ball, Charles Dexter
Beals, Albert
Bradford, Albert Sumner
Bundy, Milton John
Burke, Orin Harry
Clark, George Crook
Conn, Frederick
Cushman, Ruggles Allerton
Decker, Willet S.
Deyoe, Frederick Theodore
Diers, Henry
Dryer, John Lewis
Fairbanks, Harlan
Faust, George Andrew Willis
Frampton, George Reed
Gamble, Austin Abram
Gildmacher, Joseph
Greeley, John Philip
Gregg, Walter Scott
Griffith, Geo. Whitfield, Jr.
Hannah, Charles William
Harding, Foster William
Hately, William
Hayward, John Saxon
Hill, Samuel
Holt, John
Honey, Edwin Alonzo
Huffman, Robert Lincoln
Hutt, James Hagar
Lane, Martin Luther
Lee, Eugene Tewksbury
Leithead, William Wilson
Lovett, Charles Edward
Lutz, William Frederick
Luxton, Emanuel Henry
Mason, William Bertle
McCarrie, Franklin
McDowell, John Colvin
McNeill, Christopher
McTaggart, Neil Godfrey
Medlock, James Randolph
Menges, Marion Albert
Miles, George Francis
Nichols, John Brown
Paine, James Robert
Parker, Charles Edward
Peters, George Edwin
Potter, William Gibbons
Preble, George Edward
Reinhaus, Julius
Richardson, Erwin Ellsworth
Royer, Daniel Franklin
Scott, Walter Maxwell
Smith, Ezekiel Bernard
Staley, Arthur
Toothaker, George Dexter
Trago, Eli Brock
Trudo, Edward
Tyerman, Thomas Benton
Upham, Harry George
Waffle, Edson Dwight
Wallace, Elmer S.
Wasser, Joseph Sylvester
Wassum, Howard Allen
Watson, Keller E.
Whidden, George Akerman
Whitney, Mervin Newton
Wilkinson, Laurence Smith
Wood, William Bell
Woodford, Charles J.—84

SUSPENDED NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Bisby, Robert Lee
Coltrin, Amador Francis
Small, Lucian—3.

EXCLUDED.

Holgate, Schofield—1.

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report....74
Greeted .....14—88
Suspended N. P. D..... 3
Excluded 1
Now borne upon the roll..84—8

VENTURA COUNCIL, No. 15.

VENTURA, VENTURA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

Willis Philip Lincoln, *Th. Ill. M.*,
George Cook, *Dep. Ill. M.*,
Richard Owen Robinson, *Prin. C. W.*
John Stephenson Collins, *Treas.*,
David John Reese, *Recorder*,
Frederick Wm. Baker, *Capt. of G*
Herbert Alvaro Giddings, *Con.*,
Robert Cowperthwaite Sudden, *Steward.*
Truman Barrick Gosnell, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Albert Perham Hardy,
Frederick Wm. Baker.

SELECT MASTERS.

Alves, John
Argabrite, Jacob Lewis
Blackstock, Nehemiah
Burson, Edward Wright
Burson, George Washington
Burson, Willis
Butcher, William Preston
Carr, Earl
Carr, Phelitus Sprague
Day, James Allen
Dennison, David Rhodes
Dodge, Edward Gardner
Ely, Martin Juda
Engstrom, Frans Otto
Ernsberger, Frank Armstrong
Goodyear, Wm. Ernest
Kauffman, Parke Wilfred
Kilson, George Elmer
Knight, Clarence Crosby
McGuire, William
Metcalf, Winfield Bradbury
Misa, Charles Henry
Neel, Henry Harrison
Ogg, Thomas Daniel
Power, George Coffin
Ready, William Edward
Rice, Thomas Alexander
Rowley, Charles Harvey
Starkweather, Geo. Albert
Taggart, James William
Taylor, Arthur Wilson
Thompson, Mark
Turner, William Henry
Wittemyer, John Lewis

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report....42
Greeted ....14—88
Now borne upon the roll 44

PASADENA COUNCIL, No. 16.

PASADENA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Oscar Otto Freeman, *Th. Ill. M.*,
Benjamin Brooks Cartwright, *Dep. Ill. M.*,
Jefferson Corvoso Fraser, *Prin. C. W.*,
William Henry Vedder, *Treas.*
William Bryant Edwards, *Rec'r.*
Edward Sisson Crump, *C. of G.*,
James Barr Hughes, *Con.*
Elmer Charles Packard, *Steward*,
Vels Peter Hansen, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles Joseph Willett.
George Washington Skyrme,

SELECT MASTERS.

Allin, Thomas David
Ball, Benjamin Franklin
Behlow, Robert Roscoe
Bonner, Lewis Henry
Buchanan, Charles Wesley
Campbell, James H.
Clark, James
Dawson, James Porter
Edwards, Albert Ernest
Edwards, Simon Josiah
Frary, Leander Warren
Geohegan, Harry
Grimes, Charles
Hayes, Orrin Henry
May, Ernest Heath
McGregory, Wm. Whitney
Mercer, Albert
Peaslee, John
Perrin, Leonard
Porter, La Fayette Seward
Rhodes, Charles Hillyer
Richardson, Warren Josiah
Rossiter, John Gormley
Sherry, Henry
Shibley, William
Slavin, Matthew
Skillen, Charles Moses
Smith, John Martin
Smith, Wm. T. Sherman
Sutton, Charles Thomas
Williams, Robert Adams
Williams, Romayne—43.

DIED.

Thompson, Nels Lewis—1.

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..	42		
Greeted	1	Died	1
Affiliated	1— 44	Now borne upon the roll.	43— 4

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL, No. 17.

SANTA CRUZ, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday on or before Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

Thompson Wilson Drullard, *Th. Ill. M.*,
William Hugus Keck, *Dep. Ill.M.*,
Thomas Guy McCreary, *Prin. C. W.*,
John Parker Twist, *Treasurer.*
Edward Swift West, *Recorder.*
Benjamin Anthony Plant, *C. of Gds.*
Henry Drescher Hall, *Conductor,*
John Alexander Taylor, *Steward,*
Alison Alberti Cox, *Chaplain,*
Bernhard Wise, *Sentinel.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Aydelotte, Charles Leon
Bias, William Henry
Drennan, Ryland
Fifield. Daniel Black
Folsom, Cathers Drummond
Hapgood, Alfred Adams
Harrington, George Henry
Lorenzen, Lawrence
Loucks, Don Anderson
Mattison, Frank
Severio, John
Read, William Miles
Staubes, Charles
Tooze, William Clarence
Trafton, Howard Valentine
Tucker, Perry Clark
Webster, Mark
Willey, Henry—28.

RECAPITULATION.

Petitioners for dispensation 25
Greeted .... 3—28
Now borne upon the roll.....28

FRESNO COUNCIL, No. 18.

FRESNO, FRESNO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings.....

OFFICERS.

Wiley James Tinnin, *Th. Ill. M.*
Ardie Lee Smith, *Recorder.*

LIST OF COUNCILS,

WITH A SUMMARY OF THEIR RETURNS FOR THE MASONIC YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1905.

	NAMES OF COUNCILS.	No. of Council.	Greeted.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Excluded.	Suspended N. P. D.	Suspended for unmasonic conduct.	Expelled.	Died.	Number of Members.	Dues to Grand Council.
1	SACRAMENTO	1	18	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	7	228	$ 132 00
2	CALIFORNIA	2	27	2	....	6	3	7	....	....	6	320	187 00
3	MARYSVILLE	3	....	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	2	43	21 50
*	SIERRA NEVADA	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
4	SONORA	5	42	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	2	93	88 50
5	SHASTA	6	....	....	....	..	...	6	....	....	3	44	22 00
*	VIRGINIA	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
*	YREKA	8	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
6	HELENA	9	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	3	45	22 50
7	STOCKTON	10	3	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	4	83	44 50
8	LOS ANGELES	11	66	....	1	3	....	3	....	....	4	435	283 50
9	OAKLAND	12	12	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	4	263	143 50
10	GATEWAY	13	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	59	34 50
11	SANTA ANA	14	14	....	....	....	1	3	....	....	....	84	56 00
12	VENTURA	15	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	44	24 00
13	PASADENA	16	1	1	....	..	....	....	....	....	1	43	22 50
14	SANTA CRUZ, U. D.	....	3	†25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	28	17 00
15	FRESNO, U. D.	....	....	....	No	repo	rt d	ue.	....	....	....	....	....
	Totals	....	193	30	4	13	5	19	....	....	36	1812	$1099 00

RECAPITULATION.

Number of Councils		18
Number of Councils working		15
Number of Councils making returns		14
Greeted during the year	193	
Affiliated	30	
Restored	4	
		227
Withdrawn	13	
Excluded for N. P. D. in Lodge or Chapter	5	
Suspended for non-payment of dues	19	
Died	36	
		73
Gain		154
Total membership January 31, 1905		1812

GRAND OFFICERS

Elected Since the Organization of the Grand Council, June 26, A. Dep. 2860.

1860.

*ISAAC DAVIS ..... *Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB ..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*JAMES LAWRENCE ENGLISH.....*Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1861.

*WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER.... *Grand Master.*
*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*JAMES LAWRENCE ENGLISH.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS.....*Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1862.

*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB ..... *Grand Master.*
*ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*JOHN ASHBY TUTT..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1863.

*ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS.....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*ANDERSON SEAVY .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*CHARLES L. DANIELSON..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1864.

WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES..... *Grand Master.*
*ANDERSON SEAVY .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*LOUIS COHN ..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
WILLIAM ALEXANDER JANUARY..*Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1865.

*ANDERSON SEAVY ..... *Grand Master.*
*LOUIS COHN ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM ALEXANDER JANUARY..*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*ALVIN BACON PRESTON..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Work*

1866.

*James Lawrence English..... *Grand Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss.... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1867.

*Alvin Bacon Preston..... *Grand Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss.... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*William Franklin Knox ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1868.

*Joseph Isaacs ..... *Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss.... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Franklin Knox ..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Stephen Wing ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1870.

Frederick Ferdinand Barss.... *Grand Master.*
*Stephen Wing ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*Leonard Gross ..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
Thomas Kyle ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1871.

*Stephen Wing ..... *Grand Master.*
Thomas Kyle ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds.... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
Powell Samuel Lawson..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1872.

Thomas Kyle ..... *Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds.... *Deputy Grand Master.*
Powell Samuel Lawson..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1873.

*William Thomas Reynolds.... *Grand Master.*
Powell Samuel Lawson..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1874.

POWELL SAMUEL LAWSON..... *Grand Master.*
HENRY SAYRE ORME..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*EDMUND TAYLOR WILKINS..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1875.

HENRY SAYRE ORME..... *Grand Master.*
*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH RODGERS *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1876.

HENRY SAYRE ORME..... *Grand Master.*
*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH RODGERS *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1877.

*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES..... *Grand Master.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH RODGERS *Grand Illustrious Master.*
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1878.

WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE..... *Grand Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH RODGERS *Deputy Grand Master.*
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
JOHN WILLIAM ROCK..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1879.

*EDWIN ALDRICH RODGERS ..... *Grand Master.*
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
JOHN WILLIAM ROCK..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1880.

EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES..... *Grand Master.*
JOHN WILLIAM ROCK..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE ..... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .. *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1881.

EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Grand Master.*
JOHN WILLIAM ROCK..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE ...*Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1882.

JOHN WILLIAM ROCK..... *Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .. *Grand Illustrious Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1883.

*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE ..... *Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .. *Deputy Grand Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM . *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1884.

GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .. *Grand Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM . *Grand Illustrious Master.*
LEMUEL TRESCOTT CRANE..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1885.

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY ..... *Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM . *Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES LORD FIELD.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1886.

CHARLES LORD FIELD..... *Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1887.

CHARLES LORD FIELD..... *Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .... *Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1888.

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT..... *Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .... *Deputy Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1889.

*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .... *Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1890.

W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1891.

W. FRANK PIERCE ..... *Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1892.

W. FRANK PIERCE ..... *Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1893.

*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL ..... *Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1894.

GEORGE PENLINGTON ..... *Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1895.

*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1896.

WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS ..... *Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1897.

HENRY ASCROFT ..... *Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1898.

ROBERT ASH ..... *Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
JACOB HART NEFF..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1899.

AUGUST WACKERBARTH ..... *Grand Master.*
JACOB HART NEFF..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH . *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1900.

JACOB HART NEFF..... *Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH . *Deputy Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1901.

WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH . *Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT ... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1902.

JOHN GOULD BISBEE ..... *Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT ... *Deputy Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND ... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1903.

ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT ... *Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND ... *Deputy Grand Master.*
EDUARD KEIL ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1904.

DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND ... *Grand Master.*
EDUARD KEIL ..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

1905.

EDUARD KEIL ..... *Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON ..... *Grand Prin. Con. of the Works.*

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

We herewith present our Report on Correspondence. Last year we presented our excuses, so now we say nothing but go to work.

Several Grand Councils have delayed so long that we are obliged to go to press without them.

Companion HEMPSTEAD of Arkansas hoped to get their proceedings to us in time, but as yet they have not appeared.

ALABAMA.

1894—1904.

We have just received a neat volume containing the proceedings of the Grand Council of Alabama for the years 1894-1904 inclusive.

This sets at rest the question concerning the vitality of that Grand Council. It appears that there has been an annual assembly held each year, attended by the representatives of five or six Councils. The addresses of some of the Grand Masters are little gems. During the financial depression in the nineties, there was no lowering the standard, but words of good cheer were given, always saying:

"It is better further on."

And the last two years have fulfilled the prophecy, for a considerable advance has been made, and we have every reason to believe that Cryptic Masonry will soon occupy in Alabama the position which it deserves everywhere—that of the "Home of the Select," and a Home that is appreciated by those who dwell therein.

The Sixty-seventh Annual Assembly met in the city of Montgomery, December 5, 1904, the Grand Officers, except Captain of Guard and Chaplain, being present. Past Grand Master TEAGUE and the representatives of all the six live Councils completing the roll.

The Grand Master regretted that sickness and bereavement in his family and pressing business cares had prevented his doing as much as he wished for the Rite. However, he felt that he had done his best. He reports general prosperity in the State, and that the Rite had shared therein.

The finances of the Grand Council were found sufficient for its needs, and enough left to publish the volume of proceedings. He made one decision, regarding accepting a petition for affiliation from a Companion who was not yet affiliated with the Chapter, but had filed his petition therein, that the Council could receive it and act on it subject to the action of the Chapter.

This is not in accordance with our law. We would receive him in

the Council, but if rejected by the Chapter, he must continue to petition every six months in order to keep in good standing.

Grand Master recommended a revision of the Constitution, the appointment of a Committee on Work, of a Grand Chaplain, and a Committee on Correspondence.

This last, Grand Council did not approve for financial reasons. We hope in a few years we shall have a member of the Circle from that Grand Council.

Six Councils, 357 members.

JACOB D. BLOCH, Mobile, Grand Master; GEO. A. BEAUCHAMP, Montgomery, Grand Recorder.

COLORADO.

1904.

The Tenth Annual Assembly of Colorado convened at Denver, September 21, 1904. All the Grand Officers except Marshal were present, together with five Past Grand Masters and the representatives of eight Councils.

Grand Master DEAN recounted his official acts, which were not numerous, consisting chiefly in appointing Grand Representatives to other Grand Councils. He had visited two Councils and had granted a dispensation to twelve Companions at Idaho Springs to form a new Council. He rejoiced in the final settlement of the controversy with the General Grand Council, and now that Colorado has got all she asked for, peace and harmony prevail and the Correspondence Circle have one less subject on which to exhibit their logic, rhetoric and private opinions.

We are sorry that Colorado has no member of that Circle to "sass us back."

Ten Councils, 485 members.

MEYER S. RADFIELD, Colorado Springs, Grand Master; ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER, Denver, Grand Recorder.

CONNECTICUT.

1904.

The Eighty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Connecticut convened at Hartford, May 11, 1904. For various reasons the four principal officers were absent. However seven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of twenty-two Councils felt themselves competent to transact the business. What would a Subordinate Council have done under like circumstances?

After the Committee on Credentials had reported, the officers of Wolcott Council No. 1 assumed the several stations and conferred the S. E. degree "in a manner which met the hearty commendation of all present."

We are glad that this much abused degree is receiving the attention that it deserves. The Grand Master's address was read by the Grand Recorder. For a man who has been confined to his bed nearly half the year, he accomplished a good deal of work. The charter of Columbia Council No. 9 was restored as recommended by the last Grand Council, and at that time the degrees were conferred upon a Companion who petitioned twenty years ago, and who, on account of the revocation of the charter had been held in abeyance all that time. The *D.·.P.·.G.·.M.·.*——3 Ill. G. M. and *G.·.P.·.C.·.W.·.* each sent a report of visitations made by them, which were enjoyed by all and were of benefit to the Councils visited.

A charter was granted to Ionic Council of Bristol.

Companion BARLOW for the ninth time reviews the proceedings of the several Grand Councils. He has unearthed the ghost of the long defunct Grand Council of Alabama, and gives us the name of the Grand Master and Grand Recorder.

We are going to try and see if the *mail* will cause the ghost to walk for us.

He gives California 1903 two pages, mostly quotations from Companion BISHOP's report, to all of which he says amen.

He objects, as we do, to the use of the word "Foreign," as applied to Companions of the United States.

Many of us old fossils had something to do about 40 years ago in applying the word "Nation" in large capitals to this country, and we don't like to think there is anything foreign within its boundaries.

He finds fault with the printer for changing "within" to "without." Let his report be mangled as ours was last year and he will never notice a little thing like that.

Twenty-two Councils, 4020 members.

EDWARD E. FULLER, Tolland, Grand Master; JAMES MCCORMICK, Hartford, Grand Recorder.

ENGLAND AND WALES.

1904.

The annual meeting was held in Mark Master's Hall, Great Queen street, London, March 10, 1904.

Most of the officers had "as" before their names.

All the officers except Grand Treasurer are appointed by the Grand Master.

These appointments were reported to the Grand Council and those present were installed. The Grand Treasurer was re-elected, but being absent on account of sickness his installation was delayed.

Twenty-nine Councils scattered over the world were reported, several of which have been long dormant; 1051 members.

The EARL of EUSTON, Grand Master; C. F. MATIER, Grand Recorder.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

1904.

The Grand Council of Indian Territory met in the Masonic Temple at Muskogee, April 13, 1904, all the Grand Officers being present except Grand Conductor and Grand Steward. Also eight Past Grand Masters and the representatives of eight Councils.

The address of the Grand Master is unique. Nobody but J. S. MURROW could have written it, and who shall say that he was not called to the Grand East as well to write this address as to honor one who is the Father of Masonry in Indian Territory.

He says that he used to ride his pony over the spot where now is a city of 10,000 inhabitants, and that where now natural gas is used for cooking and lighting purposes, formerly the aborigine "spouted his own natural gas at every opportunity." A younger man, he says, might have done more. Possibly, but he would not have done better. The younger man, also, might have done differently. He might have acceded to the desires of certain Companions who wished the degrees, but who were unwilling to travel thirty miles to receive them, and an illegitimate Council might have been born. Again, a lone Companion wished to communicate the degrees and organize a Council, but was unwilling to receive fees for the same, knowing, no doubt, that the degrees so given, would be worthless, and that he should never receive wages when he knew he had earned none.

Here, again, a younger man might have done differently and less wisely. But Companion MURROW wisely determined that Councils must be born after legitimate conception and natural gestation, and was unwilling to step-father any abortions. He would have been glad to have performed ten times the labor that he did, says "Barkis was Willin," but there was no Peggotty.

In conclusion, he hopes to live to see the Cryptic Rite as popular as the other branches of Masonry. Would the honorable title of Select Master then be as appropriate as now? We agree with him that the degrees should be made prerequisite, but more for the benefit of the Templar Knights than for the increase of the Cryptic Rite. Let the demand come from those who do not know our secrets.

Companion MURROW drops back into his old place as Grand Recorder, and we hope ere long to have a Report on Correspondence from his hand.

Eleven Councils, 224 members.

WM. B. EAGLETON, Grand Master, Pawnee, Oklahoma; JOS. S. MURROW, Grand Recorder, Atoka, Ind. Ter.

IOWA.

1904.

The Fifth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Iowa was held at Templar Park, Spirit Lake, July 20, 1904. All but one of the Grand Officers present, with Past Grand Masters CLEVELAND and CRAIG and the representatives of eighteen Councils.

This, the youngest Grand Council, is a lively one, and the Grand Master is no neglecter of his duties. He is not backward in advice and recommendations and his ideas appear sound.

The Committee on Grand Officers' Reports emphasized his suggestions, and the record says that their report was adopted, so we presume that the G. G. C. Ritual, with the dress and jewels described on pages 219-220 and 221 are the regulation hereafter.

Companion CLEVELAND'S review is mostly of 1903. He pities, as we did last year, and do yet, the poor orphans cast on the cold charities of an unfeeling world by the Grand Council of Arkansas.

Did Arkansas have a meeting this year, or are they in the swamps hunting up those yearlings?

California gets a page and he quotes our conclusion of last year. We stand pat. "Labor omnia vincit," which, being inetrpreted, means, "Work will build up a Council." Under Georgia he disapproves naming a Council after a living Companion. Our Grand Lodge forbids it, and the other Grand Bodies follow the same law.

He think's Companion HARE'S definition of an Hon. Past Grand Master, which we have elsewhere noticed, equals the darkey preacher's definition of a bottomless pit:

"Well, my deah hearers, a bottomless pit is—is—is a pit without any bottom."

Companion CLEVELAND writes a smooth report, steers clear of controverted topics, and gets to his conclusions without provoking any one.

Twenty Councils, 883 members.

GEORGE R. TURNER, Waterloo, Grand Master; ALF WINGATE, Des Moines, Grand Recorder.

ILLINOIS.

1904.

The Fifty-second Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Illinois was held in the Masonic Temple, Chicago, October 26, 1904. All Grand Officers present except Grand Steward.

The Grand Master in his address desired to be brief and to the point, and we wish him equal success in all his lawful undertakings, for it would be difficult to condense his production. He enjoyed much

his angel visits and we presume the favored Councils did the same. One charter was arrested and the usual number of dispensations issued to Councils failing to elect officers at the proper time.

The reports from eight Arches were of an encouraging nature, but he says, "I have no report from 'the Ninth Arch.'" Probably no one had the requisite permission to "penetrate" thereto.

A constitutional amendment, giving Grand Council power to fix date and place of meeting from year to year was introduced and laid over.

The newly elected Grand Master gives good advice to the Deputies in charge of the Arches, which, if followed, will materially advance the interests of the Cryptic Rite.

Companion WARVELLE starts out exceedingly *brash* in his Thirteenth Report.

He gives the ancient superstition concerning the number 13 a hit, and tells his readers that if they find any fault with his report, the trouble is in them. This thirteenth hatching is all right. Perfect and sublime, "which the same" we will not dispute, but what does he mean by saying that the "subject reviewed was only a skeleton?" Certainly, Companions BARLOW, LYTE, CHASE, MORDHURST and others will haul him over the coals for this. To call their voluminous productions, all combined, a skeleton! Youngsters like ourselves can keep quiet and "let the work go on." And then to further add by calling their efforts "sawdust, chaff and other unnutritious foods," is surely valor without discretion. A few lines further on he comments on the difficulty of making bricks without straw, and winds up by saying, "Take my bricks and overlook the defects." Which would imply, that, lacking straw and being unable to digest the "sawdust, chaff, etc.," he has utilized them in making the bricks which he presents for our consideration.

As Companion WARVELLE makes good pressed brick from such poor material, we would like to see what he could do with a bountiful supply of first-class straw.

He gives California 1904 a few lines, and calls us a "new hand at the job." Well, when we have tried twelve times, we hope to have a few good bricks in our thirteenth essay.

He notes our banishment of the "crater" from our banquets. Two parties united in this. Those who would not drink themselves and didn't want any one else to do so, and those who wished to economize and pay their debts. As every Companion belonged to one of these parties the vote was unanimous.

Under Connecticut he speaks of "that Barnacle, the Grand Thrice Illustrious." In early days we had a similar officer in our Grand Councilcil. When we were Grand Master we recommended the abolition of the office, and we scraped off the Barancle.

Under Indiana he quotes Companion MORDHURST'S remarks anent the S. E., which we reviewed last year. We had the pleasure of con-

ferring this degree a short time since. There was a very large attendance and all seemed pleased, yet there was nothing rude, boisterous or ungentlemanly—everything was done "decently and in order."

He gives an interesting account of the introduction of Cryptic Masonry into Iowa.

It seems that Companion PARVIN, always at the front in every good work, was the first 3 Ill. of the first Iowa Council, which was established at Muscatine in February, 1855.

We could use all our space in reviewing Companion WARVELLE's report, but we must look after the others a little. He is an interesting writer, but is careless how he throws his bricks.

Forty-two Councils, 3849 members.

C. W. HOLLANDSWORTH, Grand Master, Canton; GIL W. BARNARD, Grand Recorder, Chicago.

INDIANA.

1904.

The Forty-ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Indiana was held in the city of Indianapolis, October 18, 1904.

Present, all the Grand Officers, eighteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of fifty-three Councils.

The address of the Grand Master is quite lengthy and shows a large amount of work done and a flourishing condition of the Grand and Subordinate Councils.

Three new Councils were chartered and one died of inanition. The Committee on Grievances could find no one with cause of complaint.

Companion MORDHURST gives us one of his usual good reviews.

The proceedings of 29 Grand Councils have claimed his notice. California gets over a page, and a bouquet is thrown at this writer. He notices our Mix and asks us if "Beautific" Masonry is not about the limit.

We wrote "Beatific," but had Companion MORDHURST been with us at the session of the General Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star at Detroit in 1901, he would agree that in writing of Michigan Masonry and its banquets "Beautific" is not far out of the way. As to our Ritual, when we were Grand Master in 1888 we found manuscript Rituals in use and no two alike, and we called the attention of Grand Council to the matter.

Companion PIERCE, Grand Master in 1890-91 and 92, compiled "The Gold Mines of California," which is now in use in every Council in the State.

We have been present at all the meetings of our Grand Council since 1883, except those of 1902 and 1903, when we were absent from the United States, and personally know that no action was ever taken to adopt the G. G. C. Ritual. The proceedings of 1902 and 1903 do not

show that anything was said or done in the matter, and our Grand Recorder assures us that there was not. He, however, of his own motion, procured several copies of the G. G. C. Ritual, one of which we have in our possession.

It follows the "Gold Mines" very closely, so much so that a visitor could scarcely tell which was being used. As to the S. E., Companion WACKERBARTH, Grand Master, and ourselves, then Grand Lecturer, prepared and published it, following the G. G. C. almost literally. So Companion MORDHURST, we were right, but our oranges and your apples are very nearly alike.

Under Connecticut, he deems Companion BARLOW unorthodox, because he contends that a Companion could be Grand Master, and 3 Ill. of his own Council at the same time.

We were Grand Master and Deputy Master of Oakland Council at the same time, and Companion HEDGES was Grand Master and 3 Ill. of Stockton Council in the same year. No one here questions the legality of this.

Under Illinois he asks as we did last year, how Grand Master or Grand Council can give any directions as to conferring the S. E. when they repudiate any recognition or control thereof. California both recognizes and controls it, and so we make a degree and not a farce of it.

He also notices Companion WARVELLE's complaint concerning the Wyoming definition of legitimate Masonry. We have the same in our Grand Chapter, so we presume if Companion WARVELLE should come to California his conscience would prevent his visiting our Chapter and Councils. Nevertheless, we give him a standing invitation to Oakland Council, and will ourselves vicariously bear whatever punishment may be adjudged him. He quotes Companion SPEED's report on the Georgia plan, which we notice under Mississippi. He criticises, under New Hampshire, the triangular apron, which we here hold to be the correct thing. He lays the blame of its adoption on Mackey, who always held to the Scottish Rite origin of the Cryptic degrees.

We have read "whole libraries" of *evidence* for and against that belief, and know less than ever about it. Why does Companion MORDHURST throw rocks at the Scotch Riters?

We had the pleasure of attending the Supreme Council, 33°, N. J., at Cincinnati in 1898, and saw the 33° conferred upon Companion MORDHURST, and would naturally suppose that he would at least have kind words for a Rite, which, for us, contains more true religion, philosophy and politics than all other organizations combined.

Our love for the Council degrees, which we value much higher than we do the Knightly Orders, arises, no doubt, from their Scottish character, whether they were ever "side degrees" of the A. & A. S. Rite or not.

Under Ohio he criticises the law charging a Companion with dues while under suspension N. P. D. We have always thought it unfair, where a Companion is suspended from all rights and privileges, but where he is suspended from membership only, and can visit, he should pay.

California Grand Bodies all denounce Masonic death on delinquents, and in Grand Lodge, after two years, resurrection can only be effected by a two-thirds vote of the Lodge.

Under Washington he speaks of Companion HARE'S definition of an Honorary Past Grand Master as "clear and concise." We agree. It is this: "An Honorary Past Grand Master is a—is—well, he is an Honorary Past Grand Master." We are an Honorary in a number of Masonic bodies, but we have never claimed any privileges, for the same reason that in our boyhood we never asked for the third piece of pie.

Fifty-eight Councils, 3765 members.

ROBT. B. WHITSETT, Logansport, Grand Master; CALVIN W. PRATHER, Indianapolis, Grand Recorder.

KENTUCKY.

1904.

The Grand Council of Kentucky held its Seventy-fifth annual Assembly in the City of Louisville, October 17, 1904. All Grand Officers present. Fifteen Past Grand Masters graced the occasion and twelve Councils were represented.

Grand Master, in his address, deplores the fact that among the 25,000 Master Masons, 4,700 Royal Arch Masons and 3,000 Templars in Kentucky, there are less than 1,000 laborers in the S. V. Would it not be better to rejoice that he is one of the 1,000 best men in the State, and shares certain desirable knowledge with only 999 others. Only those who have self-respect can gain the respect of others, and so long as the Cryptic Rite is a beggar and trying to enter where it is not wanted, so long will it find the door shut.

We have the most beautiful and instructive degrees of the American system, and let us keep them, only imparting our secrets to those who humbly apply at the entrance to the S. V.

He reports one sleeping Council awakened by the use of a lemon. As he says that "some irregularities were committed" in the act of awakening, we presume the usual Kentucky concomitant was used with the lemon, producing the usual effects. The old charter—strayed or stolen—was found at Harrodsburg.

Companion C. H. FISK made the report on Finance. We recall with pleasure our meeting with him at the Supreme Council, N. J., at Cincinnati, in 1898.

Companion HOPPER, Correspondent, announces that he intended to boil down his report to an exceedingly thick syrup, leaving out "all

those matters that may be taken for granted." However, his condenser didn't work, for his report averages a page to a Grand Council.

What is the matter with California? We have looked up our last year's report but fail to find anything that could hurt the feelings of our Blue Grass friends. It cannot be that our punctual Grand Recorder failed to send our procedings.

He thinks WARVELLE a little too hard on Old Kentuck, but acknowledges that things are not just as they should be. Get up and work, Companion HOPPER, and never sign a petition for the Templar orders for a Companion not a R. & S. M. Under Indiana he notes the decision of G. M. KEIPER that it is unlawful to print the means of recognition in cipher. How about the General Council? Has it perperated an unlawful act?

Companion HOPPER does not agree with the Grand Master of North Carolina that a 3 Ill. when elected Grand Master must vacate his office. Neither do we, and we believe the majority are with us.

Twenty-two Councils, 943 members.

Jos. H. EWALT, Paris, Grand Master; H. B. GRANT, Louisville, Grand Recorder.

MAINE.

1904.

The M. I. Grand Council of Maine assembled in the city of Portland, May 4, 1904. Present, all the Grand Officers, 14 Past Grand Masters and the representatives of all the 16 Councils.

Grand Council was opened in "Full and ample Form." Grand Master enthused over his reception at the meeting of the General Grand Council at Little Rock, which makes us feel bad once more that we were not privileged to be there. He reprehended the Councils because they do not work at their regular meetings, but prefer to hold specials, which necessitates dispensations and makes work for Grand Master. Remedy (no charge): Issue no dispensations for such purposes. The Committee on Address reported that no dispensation was required, which leaves the Maine Councils to meet when they please, same as we do.

Grand Master did some visiting and found the Councils generally in a flourishing state. The other officers brought similar reports of their visits.

Companion ALBRO E. CHASE reviews the proceedings. He gives California a friendly notice and extends the glad hand to the new Correspondent. We shake, Companion CHASE, across the continent.

Companions HICKS, HARRIS and KING of that jurisdiction we know, but do not refer Companion CHASE to them, lest they should not give us a "character."

Under Illinois he discusses the Broken Triangle and reaches the

same conclusion that we did long ago—viz., that the position which H. A. would have occupied had he not been missing, determines the location of the break. He quotes at length Companion SPEED's report on the Georgia Plan.

We think it will be unanimously adopted as both Law and Gospel on the subject.

As Companion CHASE was advanced to the Grand Mastership, we feared that we would miss him from the Circle, but we observe his name as Chairman of the committee, so we will hold him responsible for next year's report.

Sixteen Councils, 3,190 members.

ALBRO E. CHASE, Portland, Grand Master; STEPHEN BERRY, Portland, Grand Recorder.

MARYLAND.

1903—1904.

The Thirtieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Maryland was held in Baltimore, November 18, 1903.

All Grand Officers were present except Grand Recorder, who had met with a severe accident, breaking his hip and confining him to his bed. Two Past Grand Masters and the representatives of all the eleven Councils completed the Grand Council.

From the address of the Grand Master and the report of the Grand Lecturer, we judge the Rite to be in a state of moderate prosperity.

Grand Master thinks the best plan to create interest is to elect to office men competent and willing to work, who will make the degrees attractive.

Certain it is that a Council whose members regularly attend the meetings and whose officers render the Ritual correctly and intelligently, will never lack for work to do.

No report on Correspondence.

Companion ISAACS having served three terms declined a fourth election, and his place was filled by Companion JAMES F. ALLEN.

Companion JAMES W. BOWERS was re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Thirty-first Annual Assembly met in Baltimore, November 16, 1904.

The Grand Recorder was again absent; no reason given in the proceedings. All other Grand Officers present and all eleven of the Councils were represented, two Past Grand Masters completing the roll.

Grand Master reported a number of visits made and the Councils generally prospering. Three, however, had done no work.

He regretted one act, whereby Grand Council lost $50, and we warrant he will never be guilty of a like offense again by paying wages to those who have earned none.

He recommended an amendment to the Constitution relative to the

appointment of Grand Officers, and Grand Council unanimously adopted the recommendation. The only cause of wonder is that it was not noticed before. While Grand Master appreciates the "Harmony" which has prevailed, whereby no decisions were required, he would like to see a little more of that "Noble Contention," which is somewhere spoken of.

The Committee on Correspondence profess themselves interested and instructed by reading what the rest of us have written, but do not as yet feel financially able to reciprocate and to give us their views on matters and things. As the finances keep about even, we see no immediate prospect of a report from Companion CARTER.

Eleven Councils, 827 members.

JAMES F. ALLEN, Grand Master, Rockville; JAMES W. BOWERS, Grand Recorder, Baltimore.

KANSAS.

1904.

The Grand Council R. & S. M. of Kansas met in the Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly in the city of Topeka, February 15, 1904. Present all the Grand Officers except the Grand Custodian of the Work, who sent a letter stating that he was too ill to attend. Ten Past Grand Masters and the representatives of all the nine Councils completed the roll.

Grand Master reports harmony, but hints that Ahishar's weakness may account for it. Sickness, business floods and other reasons prevented intended visits, but he did get to Emporia and aided in awakening the dormant Council there.

The Grand Recorder, in addition to his own report, presented that of Companion FRELING, Grand Treasurer, whose decease he announced. We recollect a very pleasant day in 1893 spent with Companion FRELING on the train from St. Louis to Kansas City.

Companion SHAVER presents his sixth annual report, consisting of fifty pages of interesting matter. California 1903 gets half a page. Under Georgia he questions the utility of Grand Master BROWN'S circular letters and thinks personal visitation would accomplish much more. So say we, and yet there was a certain apostle whose "letters were weighty and powerful, but his bodily presence weak."

He is pleased under Indian Territory to note the tribute paid to the long time Grand Recorder, Companion MURROW in electing him Grand Master, and adds, "How much better this plan is than the empty honor of an Honorary Grand Master." As an actual Past Grand Master, Companion MURROW has again taken up the pen of Grand Recorder.

He has a little tilt with Companion WAITE of Massachusetts concerning the propriety of Companions signing a petition for dispensation prior to taking a demit.

Our Grand Lodge requires a demit, Grand Commandery allows the other procedure, Grand Council no law. All our Grand bodies now provide that a member may apply for affiliation before demitting, so that a Brother, Companion or Knight may not be left out in the cold should he desire to change his membership.

Some years ago, before this law was enacted, a well known Brother petitioned a lodge twelve times to accept his demit. No charge of any kind was ever made against him; some one must have had a personal spite. The Brother was a member in Chapter, Council, Commandery and Consistory all these years, while he had no lodge home, keeping up his good standing by continual application. Success crowned his thirteenth effort.

Companion SHAVER has had an ancient feud with Companion PERKINS of Vermont concerning the statutes of a Council to which a charter has been granted, but constitution has not yet been effected. This year he "calls off" and refuses to quarrel any more about it.

Most if not all our Grand Bodies, after granting a charter, admit the representatives of the body to a voice and vote.

Now if they are in a cataleptic state, how can they be alive enough to speak and vote.

Ten Councils, 987 members.

JOHN C. POSTLETHWAITE, Jewell City, Grand Master; WM. M. SHAVER, Topeka, Grand Recorder.

MASSACHUSETTS.

1903.

Two special Assemblies were held, one at Springfield, February 23, 1903, and one at Roxbury, November 16, 1903, for the purpose of witnessing an exemplification of the work.

According to the testimony of the Grand Recorder the work was done in a satisfactory manner and a royal good time was had on each occasion.

The regular annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Massachusetts met in Boston, December 9, 1903. Present, all the Grand Officers except Conductor and Steward.

Four Past Grand Masters were on hand and nineteen Councils were represented.

Grand Master had isssued a new dispensation to the Companions at Milford, who, through somebody's neglect, were left out in the cold by the last Grand Council, and he reports the embryo Council as fast developing. He had used his power of dispensation to soften the rigor of that amendment to the constitution, which requires a petition to lie over from one regular meeting to another before action thereon, and compliments Lawrence Council on their determination to meet monthly.

He recommends a per capita tax to supply the deficiency in the revenue of the Grand Council.

The Grand Council voted to continue the dispensation of Milford Council until the Grand Master should be satisfied as to the proficiency of the Companions in the work, when he was authorized to constitute the Council. Some of the Correspondents criticise this action. It is a little peculiar, but we see no reason why the authority to constitute, which must emanate from the Grand Council, may not be made conditional.

An installation ceremony for the Grand Organist was adopted. The Committee on Grand Masters address indorsed all his recommendations and complimented everybody, and this completed the labors of the Grand Council.

Companion Waite reviews the proceedings of 28 Grand Councils. His notice of California is for 1903, and he quotes liberally from Companion BISBEE's closing remarks. He commends the recommendation of Grand Master HOLLENBACK of Illinois, that Councils confer the R. & S. M. degrees in full, saying, "Good doctrine, and when more like it are administered, the Rite will be better respected and appreciated."

He also quotes Companion WARVELLE's explanation of the Bath-Kol. Under Maine he quotes Companion MESSERVEY's address, giving a history of the organization of the Gen. Grand Council and Companion DRUMMOND's part therein.

He does not agree with Companion BELCHER of New Jersey that the General Grand Bodies are on the decline, but believes that "they have come to stay," and will have a continuing work through all time.

Under Tennessee he quotes the doleful conclusion of the Grand Master's address and comments judiciously on the hopes and good resolutions expressed therein, by saying, "The only trouble seems to be that it was made at the wrong end of the year."

Twenty-eight Councils, 6661 members.

FORREST E. BARKER, Worcester, Grand Master; J. GILMAN WAITE, Medford, Grand Recorder.

MINNESOTA.

1904.

The Thirty-fifth Annual Assembly met at St. Paul, October 1f 1904. All the Grand Officers except Captain of Guard were prese with eleven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of all t seven Councils.

Grand Master reported that he had attended two Councils reg larly during the year, and had visited two more. He prefers to wo quietly in our own way, making the degrees impressive, elabora' the work, and ceasing to clamor for prerequisition. Yes, Comp? let us build up the Rite, make it beautiful and impressive, and l

long the Grand Encampment will be glad to ask our aid in rendering their candidates more fit to receive the Orders of Knighthood.

He preaches the doctrine of self-sacrifice, now that we live in an age when the blood of bulls and goats no longer cleanses from sin.

Companion SWANSTROM, General Grand Master, addressed the Grand Council, inciting the Companions to labor. A committee was appointed to prepare a new Constitution.

Companion MONTGOMERY reviews the proceedings of thirty-one Grand Councils, and gives California particular attention. Thanks for boquets. Like ourselves, he admires the oratory of the Georgians. How often we have longed for the "silver tongue," that we might stir up our brethren and Companions to deeds. Yet if our Companions of Georgia would work half as well as they talk, the laborers in the S. V. would quadruple in numbers and there would be no incentive to burglarize the Blue Lodges.

Perhaps if we would hold our heads high, and admit none but Templars and 32°s, there would be such a rush for the S. V. that sleeping Ahishars would be trampled to a jelly.

Under Indian Territory he quotes Companion MURROW's address almost entire. It is good reading, and carries us back to early days in the backwooods. These memories are unique; our grandchildren will never know them, for the "West" has crossed the Pacific and hides in the jungles of tropical islands. He wonders—under Ohio—how the local Council, which was opened in full form, the Officers then vacating their stations in favor of the Grand Officers, was closed. We have heard the same question asked in the case of a lodge that vacated the room on an alarm of fire being given, and was not able to meet again for some weeks, the building having been consumed, with the charter and effects.

Companion MONTGOMERY uses the scissors—but as his selections are judicious, he gets up a good report.

Seven Councils, 772 members.

CHARLES J. BEVAN, Minneapolis, Grand Master; THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul, Grand Recorder.

MICHIGAN.

1904.

The Grand Council of Michigan met in its Forty-sixth Annual Assembly at Lansing, January 18, 1904. All the Grand Officers, fourteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of 52 Councils were present at Roll Call.

Grand Master KINGSLEY delivered an eloquent oration, differing much from the ordinary business address. He reports the Rite in general as flourishing, though in some places a rush of work in other

orders has caused a lack of interest. This ought never to be the case. Masonry should always be first.

He suggests inviting the ladies to our banquets. By all means. Let us do all we can to atone for our one relic of barbarism.

If we may believe what he says, and we assume that he speaks the truth, as all good Masons do, the duties of Grand Master were well and worthily performed.

Companion CHARLES A. CONOVER succeeds his illustrious father as Committee on Correspondence. Being young like ourselves, he goes at his work with a vim, and shows that he has learned by good example how to do it. He gives three pages to California, 1903, and comments on the secession of the Grand Secretary, R. A. M., Grand Recorder, R. & S. M., and Grand Recorder, K. T., from the Masonic Temple. All are satisfied.

The Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge occupies all the rooms, and has none too much space, while the other bodies are comfortably housed a few blocks away. It might be a little more convenient if all were together, but there is not enough room and the Grand Lodge had prior claims.

Under Illinois he says that the Grand Lodge of Wyoming has constituted itself a Grand Inquisitor and punisher of heretics. We do not think that any of us good cryptics need feel any apprehension. It is only the naughty Cerneaus who are struck at, and they cannot get a lick amiss. He thinks that the resolutions referred to the three Grand Officers of Kansas, respecting a modification of the Penalties, are "Peculiar resolutions to say the least." Possibly, if the penalties were literally exacted when incurred, there would be an "increased interest in the Rite." Speaking of Star Light, under Mississippi, he says that the experience in Michigan is that there is nothing so good for a run-down Masonic constitution as plenty of Eastern Star light. So it is with us.

He gives in full the report of the committee appointed by the Grand Chapter of Texas to consider the matter of divorcing the Grand Council, which closes as follows:

"We think that when, in 1862, the Grand Council, like a lone mariner shipwrecked, with scarce one small plank to bear him up amidst the waters of a stormy ocean, hailed with joy the prospect of deliverance, by getting on board the good ship 'The Grand Chapter,' and in 1864 did so, it did a wise act, and we believe that the ways of wisdom will be walked in, by our continuing the control of the R. & S. M. degrees as during the past three score years.

CONOVER comments: "Just note the deep logic of the committee. In 1864 the Councils were weak and the membership small, consequently, forty years later they are not able to stand alone." We would just remark in passing that it is difficult to crowd "three score years" into the interval between 1864 and 1904.

Companion CONOVER, in conclusion, thinks his report won't suit everybody, and saucily says: "It is printed and what are you going to do about it?"

Nothing at all, Companion. Say no more about it.

Fifty-eight Councils, 5730 members.

DALLAS D. ALTON, Fremont, Grand Master; CHARLES A. CONOVER, Coldwater, Grand Recorder.

MISSISSIPPI.

1904.

The Forty-ninth Annual Assembly was held at Greenville, February 17, 1904, all the Grand Officers and the representatives of 24 Councils being present.

Grand Master SAVERY alludes feelingly to the death of Grand Lecturer Spinks. He recommends the adoption of the G. G. C. Ritual and warns the Councils against irregularly made Companions. The tenor of his address would show that peace, harmony and a moderate degree of prosperity prevail. There is no report on Correspondence, but the representatives of several Grand Councils made reports, which are printed in the proceedings.

There are 44 Councils, 33 of which made returns, showing a membership of 1385.

PHINEAS M. SAVORY, Tupelo, Grand Master; FREDERICK SPEED, Vicksburg, Grand Recorder.

MISSOURI.

1904.

The Thirty-ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Missouri convened in St. Louis, April 28, 1904. All the Grand Officers except Conductor were present. Thirteen Past Grand Masters answered to their names and thirteen Councils were represented.

Grand Master STEVENSON had visited eleven of the fourteen Councils, and while he did not feel that he had accomplished much, he had tilled the field, and hoped that his successor might reap an abundant crop. He pronounced the district system a failure, saying that while the Councils appreciate visits from the Grand Master, they pay little attention to District Deputies. In all of which Missourians very much resemble other people.

Companion MAYO gives in a resume of his reading, a short sketch of the progress of the Rite and is hopeful of the future.

He could give a rattling good report, and we hope that some day the Grand Council will give him an opportunity.

Fourteen Councils, 1084 members.

GIB W. CARSON, St. Louis, Grand Master; WM. H. MAYO, St. Louis, Grand Recorder.

NEBRASKA.

1904.

The Grand Council of Nebraska met in its Twenty-fifth Annual Assembly in the city of Omaha, December 14, 1904.

The Grand Master being absent on account of illness in his family, Grand Council was opened by the Deputy Grand Master. All the other Grand Officers were present, with eight Past Grand Masters and representatives from fifteen Councils.

The Grand Master's address was read by the Deputy. He applies the rules of percentage, and shows that in 1936 there ought to be 120 Councils in the State. We hope he will live to see the rule verified.

As a change from the usual tune sung by Grand Masters, he has no regrets. He has "accomplished all that could have been expected of me by the Companions who placed me in the responsible and honorable position, or all that I determined that I would do."

He made a number of visits, which he reports as having accomplished much good, granted a few dispensations, and performed what other duties came in his way. No decisions were asked for, and no recommendations made, except that the Grand Council do something for the Masonic Home.

We notice that the reports of committees are not signed, even by the chairman, and we are unable to find out who is responsible for the report on correspondence, unless it be the several representatives of each Grand Council near the Grand Council of Nebraska. At any rate, thirteen Grand Councils, California among them, are not noticed.

The Arkansas reviewer favors the custom of that jurisdiction, of making poor orphan children by the Grand Council, and thinks there should be fewer and larger Councils. He is the first one to favor the idea outside of Arkansas, and he gives no arguments. Let us know the whys, for we are always open to conviction.

The Companions reviewing the proceedings of the other jurisdictions appear to have read them thoroughly, and they report the principal items of interest, but the element of personality is lacking. We want to "know the fellow."

The Oregon reviewer has never crossed the Rockies, else he could never have written his criticism on the Grand Master's address. Why, Companion, PENUMBRA KELLY is a wise and zealous Mason, but it doesn't lie in him to "bristle" half enough to do justice to this glorious "Coast." Come out next summer to the Portland Exposition and be convinced.

Twenty-two Councils, 845 members.

GUSTAVE ANDERSON, Omaha, Grand Master; FRANCIS E. WHITE, Omaha, Grand Recorder.

NEW YORK.

1904.

It hardly seems encouraging to know that in ninety-five years the Grand Council of New York, the oldest in the world, and having for its jurisdiction the most populous of the States, should only be able to show a membership of less than one for every thousand inhabitants.

Certainly we are the Select. Let us endeavor also to be the Worthy.

The Ninety-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Council of New York assembled at Saratoga, August 30, 1904, all Grand Officers except Conductor being present. Ten Past Grand Masters and the representatives of twenty-four Councils made up a quorum.

Grand Master GARDNER, in his address, indulged in reminiscences of the Revolution appropriate to the locality. He says: "Had there been no Bennington, no Oriskany, no Saratoga, there would have been no Yorktown. The patriots STARK, GATES and HARKIMER, who won these battles, were members of our Fraternity."

He reports visits made by himself and his Deputies and in nearly all cases satisfactory conditions are announced. His conclusion is peculiarly eloquent. We give a specimen: "Life never before meant so much as it means to-day. Life has grown intense, and swift and various, weighted with the accumulated gifts of the centuries that are gone. An hour of life to-day is worth a year of the life that slept its slow moments outside the tent door of the Arab. * * * Back of all this splendid civilization that fascinates with its grandeur, and back of every new birth of Liberty has been the influence of Free Masonry. It ripened into the Magna Charta, it flowered in the Declaration of Independence, it fruited at Yorktown, and to-day in the progressive march of civilization to yet higher achievements, is leading men to the God Given Fellowship, a common Brotherhood."

Past Grand Master JOHN W. COBURN takes the place of Companion OSGOODBY as Correspondent. In forty-eight pages he reviews the proceedings of thirty-three jurisdictions. He gives California a page, and quotes our conclusion of last year. We have seen no reason to change the opinions then expressed. He gives good news from Louisiana and the Maritime Provinces from which we have had no proceedings. While it pained us to say Os—Good-by(e), we are glad so worthy a successor has been found.

Twenty-five Councils, 4860 members.

IRVING L'HOMMEDIEU, Medina, Grand Master; GEORGE VAN VLIET, New York, Grand Recorder.

NEW JERSEY.

1904.

The Forty-sixth Annual Assembly met at Trenton, March 8, 1904. All but two of the Grand Officers were present, with thirteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of five Councils.

The Grand Master reported that he had made no decisions, and had issued but three dispensations, a marked improvement over the wholesale issuance of last year. He wisely refused a dispensation for a new Council, where there was only one Chapter to draw from, and but sixty-six members in that.

He recommended a uniform apron, a new Monitor and that the accumulating Proceedings be donated to the Grand Lodge Library. Grand Council approved all except as to a new Monitor.

Companion CHAS. BELCHER reviews twenty-seven Grand Councils. He, like all the Correspondents who were present, gives such a glowing description of the good time at Little Rock, that we feel worse and worse because we were compelled to be absent. He gives California 1903 a notice. Thinks Companion BISHOP's medicine easy to take and worth a trial. Under Mississippi he notes the return of Companion SAVERY to the Grand East after an absence of twenty-seven years, and voices the opinion of the entire Rite, that no mistake was made. Such men as Savery are scarce and should be kept at work.

He says that the report of Companion MAYO of Missouri is composed of "glittering generalities" only. The pressure required to condense so much into so little space would crystallize anything.

Concluding, he recommends vigor and vim to the laborer on the Arches. Let us all be "Sunny" and shed Light and Joy on all around us.

Seven Councils, 623 members.

SAM. G. RUDDEROW, Camden, Grand Master; JOHN B. BERTHOLF, Jersey City, Grand Recorder.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

1904.

The Forty-third Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of New Hampshire was held in the city of Concord, May 16, 1904. Present, all the Grand Officers except Grand Sentinel. Nine Past Grand Masters appeared, and fourteen Councils were represented.

Grand Master paid tribute to several deceased Companions. He decided that expulsion from a Blue Lodge worked a deprivation of all rights and privileges in a Council; a self-evident fact. Two dispensations only had been granted, and one new Council constituted. Grand Master's visits were like angels', but he found a very satisfactory state of affairs existing. The other Grand Officers visited the Council assigned to them, and reported the craft in general hard at work.

Companion WOODBURY presents his usual good report on correspondence. California 1903 gets a couple of pages. He quotes Companion Bishop on work, with approval.

Under Georgia he says: "We have grave doubts as to the wisdom or desirability of making Cryptic Masons at sight by the wholesale—or retail, for that matter."

Under Illinois he gives several pages to WARVELLE's disquisition on the Brooken Triangle, but expresses no opinion of his own. He copies largely from Companion SPEED's report on necrology—Mississippi, 1903—and quotes three pages of Companion OSGOODBY's "farewell address," both of which are interesting reading.

Fourteen Councils, 1787 members.

HARRY M. CHENEY, Lebanon, Grand Master; FRANK D. WOODBURY, Concord, Grand Recorder.

NORTH CAROLINA.

1904.

The Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly met at Raleigh, June 15, 1904, all the Grand Officers being present. Two Past Grand Masters and the representatives of five Councils made the number complete.

The Grand Master announced a "step forward," but remarked it was not that of a giant with seven-league boots. More like an infant's tentative trials, but still a step. He had visited all the Councils, and reports that while in New York he received the Super-Excellent. He does not express any opinion concerning the degree, nor does he recommend its adoption by his Grand Council. He decided that concurrent jurisdiction exists throughout the State, except as to a county in which a Council is situated, and the Jurisprudence Committee approved the decision.

Companion SOUTHGATE was prevented by illness from attendance at Grand Council, but presents his usual spicy report. California 1903 is noticed. He agrees with Companion BISHOP as to the efficacy of visitations, but pleads poverty. However, the Grand Master tried the medicine and with good effect. Do so some more.

He squirms a little under WARVELLE's aqua fortis, and no wonder. He of the land of corn and hogs, where all eyes stick out with fatness, and even the poor are rich, should not make fun of the poor Tar Heels. "Some day he will be sorry."

Under Indiana, he calls the Correspondent "out of his name," and then proceeds to compliment him. He assures Michigan that the quality of the North Carolina Companions more than makes up for what they lack in numbers. If Companion SOUTHGATE is a fair specimen, we concur.

Five Councils, 187 members.

A. B. ANDREWS, JR., Raleigh, re-elected Grand Master; J. C. MUNDS, Wilmington, re-elected Grand Recorder.

OREGON.

1904.

The Nineteenth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Oregon convened in the city of Albany, April 13, 1904. All the Grand Officers, three Past Grand Masters and representatives from four Councils were present.

The Grand Master's address was short and to the point. He had done no visiting, but had appointed Companions to perform the duty, and from their reports and his own observation, he considered the Rite in a fairly prosperous condition.

The usual routine business was transacted, steps were taken to form a new Council at Eugene, and, at the request of Adoniram Council, the degrees were conferred upon two Companions.

There is no report on Correspondence.

Four Councils, 254 members.

SEYMOUR CHIPMAN, Corvallis, Grand Master; SETH L. POPE, Portland, Grand Recorder.

PENNSYLVANIA.

1904.

Two Special Assemblies were held, one at Washington, October 24, 1903, for the purpose of re-constituting Washington Council No. 1, which had long lain dormant.

Twenty candidates were greeted, and the old Council was again set at work, with a hopeful future. October 26, 1903, an Assembly was held at Johnstown, when Cambria Council No. 32, which had been washed away by the great flood, was brought back by an inundation, for forty-five Companions were present and were greeted as Select Masters.

The Fifty-eighth Annual Assembly met in the city of Allegheny, February 23, 1904. The Grand Officers were all on hand. Nine Past Grand Masters appeared and eighteen Councils were represented.

The address of the Grand Master shows that no grass grew under his feet. He visited twenty-one of the twenty-three Councils and avoided the temptations of the wicked cities by avoiding Philadelphia and Pittsburg. If all our Grand Masters could or would put as much "vigor and vim" into the work as did Companion FINNEY, there would be no need of prerequisition, or of admitting to the S. V. those who have not passed "beneath the shadows of the Royal Arch." He firmly believes that the Council degrees are necessary to a full understanding of the legends and symbolism of Ancient Craft Masonry, and has acted accordingly. There being plenty of work for all the laborers, "Satan found no mischief for idle hands to do," and consequently there were no disputes to settle, and no decisions to be made. The Deputies in

nearly every case made reports showing life and energy in the Councils.

Grand Master recommends a revision of the Ritual, an increase of the visitation fund, and of the Grand Recorder's salary, and that bonds be required of the Grand Recorder.

The Grand Recorder reports work done in twenty-one Councils, degrees conferred on 464 candidates and $1412.40 collected as revenue. After ten years' faithful service he declined a re-election. After the election, the new Grand Master delivered an address, which shows his good intentions and gives promise of a continuation of the good work of his predecessor. He gives special attention to the thoughtless habit of discussing Masonic subjects in the hearing of the profane, and to the necessity of order and decorum in meetings. His remarks are applicable to other jurisdictions.

Companion LYTE gives us a report, which covers every Grand Council in the United States and also England and the Maritime Provinces. California, 1903, gets a friendly notice. He compliments Companion BISHOP'S report and quotes his conclusion. Under Colorado, he ventures to hint that it might be well for Grand Masters to do a little work and not leave all for the Grand Recorder.

He gives us our first reliable news from Florida, M. I. GEO. S. HALLMARK, who has served as Grand Master for twenty-six years, declined a re-election. We have written to Florida, but as yet have no report.

Under Illinois he quotes from Companion Warvelle, "The men who are prominently identified with this branch of Masonry are, as a rule, the earnest, zealous and learned members of the Craft, the select, if you please, in fact as well as in name." We hope it is not egotistical for us to agree with Companions LYTE and WARVELLE.

Under Maine he says: "In Pennsylvania we have no certificates, but always show the Real Thing to visitors." He says that Companion WAITE of Massachusetts "writes one of the most interesting reports that we received." Companion LYTE, "you are another."

In his conclusion, he hauls Grand Representatives over the coals for neglect of duty and non-attendance at meetings of Grand Council, advises Grand Masters to visit and all Companions to *work*, and closes with compliments to the Old Guard.

Twenty-three Councils, 2600 members.

DAVID O. MCCALLUM, Wilkesbarre, Grand Master; FRANK W. MARTENIS, South Bethlehem, Grand Recorder.

OHIO.

1904.

Ohio, bearing the banner of Cryptic Masonry, greets us with a volume of 200 pages, all of interest. The Grand Council met at Columbus, October 4, 1904. All the Grand Officers, fourteen Past Grand

Masters and the representatives of fifty-eight Councils were in attendance. The Grand Bodies of Ohio have the pleasing custom of welcoming and escorting to the East the Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers of their sister bodies.

Our Grand Lodge, unfortunately, set us the example of non-recognition, and the Grand Commander or Grand High Priest is a private in the rear rank when he visits any body except his own.

The Grand Master delivered a long address showing much work done, and a corresponding condition of prosperity. He decided that a Council U. D. could not receive a petition for affiliation. This is contrary to the practice here.

Charters were granted to the Councils at Fostoria and Matchett and a jewel ordered for the retiring Grand Master. An obituary of that prince of Correspondents, S. STACKER WILLIAMS, with a portrait, occupies several pages.

Companion CUNNINGHAM reviews thirty-one Grand Council Proceedings, giving California 1904, 3 pages. He quotes our remarks on the S. E. and on our method of work, and supplements the same, under Colorado, by the remarks of Grand Master PEABODY. Companion CUNNINGHAM says that the prosperous state of affairs which has brought Ohio to the front rank is owing to work by the officers, Grand and Subordinate.

He quotes, under Indian Territory, the reminiscences of Companion MURROW, of which we have elsewhere spoken, and the feeling tribute paid him by Companion MORRISON, who so ably filled the position temporarily vacated by Companion MURROW.

He explains to Companion CHASE of Maine that a "Mayor of a city, not a Mason," was not introduced into Grand Council while open, but during a temporary recess—being "called off" for that purpose.

Sixty-one Councils, 7590 members.

NELSON WILLIAMS. Hamilton, Grand Master; WM. E. EVANS, Chillicothe, Grand Recorder.

RHODE ISLAND.

We have the triennial volume, containing Proceedings of 1902, 3 and 4 of the Grand Council of Rhode Island.

Does Little Rhody think to impress us with her size by doubling up, or rather tripling up in this way? Are we not more likely to forget her altogether during the "off" years?

Yet, there are few that can show a greater proportionate gain, or more of the true Cryptic spirit.

The Forty-second Annual Assembly was held in Providence, April 8, 1902. All Grand Officers being present, with seven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of four Councils.

We recognize the portrait of M. I. Companion S. PENROSE WILLIAMS, whose acquaintance we made in Detroit in 1901.

His address shows his interest in the work. He says that we should never permit ourselves to allow entertainment of the members to take the place of proper instruction of the candidate. He was not satisfied with his work (no earnest man is), but would permit himself to say that the Rite was in a more prosperous condition than ever before.

The Forty-third Annual Assembly met in Providence April 14, 1903, with Grand Master CHARLES A. GILLEN and all the Grand Officers present, also seven Past Grand Masters and representatives of all the Councils.

The Grand Master's address was short and to the point. He decided that a Companion who became blind after his election could not receive the degrees. They have the pleasing custom of an annual dinner, and as the bill was ordered paid before the dinner was eaten, it was probably enjoyed.

All the Grand Officers, seven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of three Councils assembled at Providence in the Forty-fourth annual.

Perhaps the dinner has something to do with the punctual attendance. Some other Grand Councils might adopt the idea with good effect.

Grand Master had visited all the Councils several times. Had been called on for no decisions and found peace and prosperity prevailing.

The Proceedings of three years were ordered printed. The committee on the address of Grand Master WILLIAMS, 1902, reported, indorsing and confirming all that he had said and done. Better late than never. Unaffiliates had better look out, for their case will be taken up next year.

M. I. and Rev. Companion RUGG presented a condensed report on Correspondence, giving his conclusions derived from the perusal of the proceedings of the several Grand Councils. He finds that, on the whole, the Order is prosperous—that it will always be the "Home of the Select" rather than a popular body, and thinks it better to be so.

We have always contended that a Masonic Body of fifty members, earnest and active, who have Masonry in their hearts and exemplify it in their lives, is stronger than one of five hundred apathetic Masons who fail to practice the lessons taught them. He says, "The essential elements that attach to and are identified with Freemasonry, are certain great moral truths pertaining to the conduct of life." We would add: He who does not, by his life, show that to some extent, at least, he has assimilated those truths and made them the rule of his conduct, is not a Mason, no matter to how many degrees he may have attained.

Like other reviewers, he preaches the Gospel of work. An equal unanimity of action would accomplish something.

Get right in, Companion Correspondents, and do a little of that work.

Five Councils, 1724 members.

WM. H. SCOTT, Providence, Grand Master; WM. R. GREENE, Providence, Grand Recorder.

VERMONT.

1904.

The Fifty-first Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Vermont was held in the city of Burlington, June 14, 1904. All Grand Officers except Grand Steward were present, together with two Past Grand Masters and representatives of fourteen Councils.

The Grand Master pays tribute to the worth of two Past Grand Masters who have passed away during the year, Companions WHITCOMB and HORTON. He recommends a uniform floor work, as in the numerous visits which he paid to Councils he found no two working alike. He recommends also the printing a new Ritual, and that a loan of $500 be made to Grand Lodge on the same terms as those made by Grand Chapter and the A. & A. S. Rite.

What is the matter with Grand Lodge, that it is in the market for loans?

Grand Master also thinks that the initiation fee should be raised to $10, which certainly is little enough. From the reports of the Deputy Grand Master and Grand Principal Conductor of the Works, we should judge that the Order is in a healthy condition among the Green Mountains.

Companion MARSH O. PERKINS presents his usual interesting report. California 1903 occupies a page. His review of Georgia is particularly spicy.

Companion BROWN'S radical propositions waked up many, and though none of them are likely to be adopted, they have given us subjects for discussion.

Under Illinois, he gives as his opinion that a 3 Ill. who would permit the communication of the R. & S. M. degrees, should be turned over to the mercies of the Great Nabuzar-Adan. None too severe a penalty!

Under Kansas he attributes the loss in membership to the Pike' Peak excursion, and says that it is the legitimate result.

Booms are always followed by a reaction, and Kansas is now pa ing the same penalty in the Rite as she did in real estate values, a fe years since.

Under Washington, he agrees with us that Companion HARE'S d tion of an Hon. Past Grand Master is crystal-like, lucid and fill

bill! He hits the S. E. degree under Wisconsin. Now Companion PERKINS, come out here and see us confer the S. E. and you will be convinced that it is rightly named.

Eighteen Councils, 1334 members.

GEO. F. FLANDERS, White River Junction, Grand Master; N. W. Ross, Burlington, Grand Recorder.

WISCONSIN.

1904.

At the Forty-seventh Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Wisconsin held in the city of Milwaukee, February 16, 1904, the Grand Captain of the Guard, Conductor of Council and Stewart, were found missing. The remaining Grand Officers, with four Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of thirteen Councils, opened the Grand Council in Ample Form.

The Grand Master congratulated Grand Council that none of its members had been called away by death during the past year. He had appealed in feeling terms to several delinquent Councils, but without visible effect. His heart failed him, when called upon to execute the mandate of the last Grand Council, and he hoped that a time for reflection would bring them to a sense of their duty.

He did *not* say that the disagreeable task of striking the names of the delinquents from the roll of the living, would now fall to other hands. Neither had he caused cipher rituals to be printed and distributed, as recommended by the Jurisprudence Committee last year, as it seemed to him that the Councils did not care whether they had rituals or not.

In fact, the address is unique in that it chiefly consists in a recital of what he had not done. The sadness of the words "might have been" is deepened when written "ought to have been," and was not.

A resolution reducing the per capita tax to 15 cents was laid over.

Companion SWAIN having been sick, we have no report on Correspondence, another negative which deprives the Circle of much pleasure. The Grand Council finally decided to do something—so it elected and installed a corps of officers, which we may hope will let us have some measure of affirmation during the coming year. The Grand Council closed at 11:30 p. m., a time when all prying eyes should be closed in sleep, and others beside Ahishar making melody at the entrance to the S. V.

Nineteen Councils, 1731 Members.

JACOB DREHER, Milwaukee, Grand Master; W. W. PERRY, Milwaukee, Grand Recorder.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES B. MERRITT,
For the Committee.

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CHRONOLOGY

The ordinary calendar, or vulgar era, is not generally used by Freemasons in dating their official documents. They have one peculiar to themselves, differing according to their various rites. The Masons in all parts of the world working in the York and French rites add 4000 years to the Christian era, calling it Anno Lucis—Year of Light; abbreviated A∴L∴; thus the year 1900 would be A∴L∴5900. (This fact has a symbolic reference, not because they believe Freemasonry is, but that the principles and light of the institution are, coeval with the creation.)

Masons practicing in the Ancient and Accepted rite use the Jewish Calendar, which adds 3760 years to the vulgar era, styled Anno Mundi —A∴M∴—year of the world. Or they sometimes use the Hebrew Year, which begins on the 17th of September, or 1st of Tisri, using the initials A∴H∴—Anno Hebraico—Hebrew Year.

Royal Arch Masons date from the building of the second Temple—530 B. C. Their style is therefore Anno Inventionis—A∴Inv∴—in the year of the Discovery.

Royal and Select Masters should date from the completion of Solomon's Temple, which would add 1000 to the Christian era. Their style is Anno Depositionis—A∴Dep∴—in the year of the Deposit.

Knights Templar date from the organization of the Order—1118. Their style is therefore Anno Ordinis—A∴O∴—in the year of the Order.

Those of the rite of Mizraim add four years to the usual computation of the age of the world; thus the year 1900 would stand A∴L∴5904.

Masons of the York rite begin the year on the first of January; but in the French rite it commences on the first of March.

To all Royal and Select Masters:

Of the many excuses we might offer to our friends and Companions for this late appearance of the Journal of Proceedings of the Forty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California, we think the one most applicable is the old one of "circumstances beyond our control;" in making this excuse we feel confident of justification by Companions and Councils because of the trials and difficulties we have endured while on our way to the desks and libraries of our readers.

The particulars of the dread calamity which enveloped "the altar of gold and the table of gold whereupon the shew-bread was" and threatened the existence of our official circle, have been so thoroughly disseminated throughout the Masonic world, as to render their repetition here unnecessary, and we only make this reference to assure our Companions that we live full of thanksgiving to the Supreme Grand Master for his safe conduct through the perils surrounding us during the dread visitation of the 18th of April; while we cherish the remembrance of friends and Companions whose unstinted contributions of money and sympathy have so materially aided and assisted in our rehabilitation.

We are on our feet again, and shall endeavor, with the help of the Great I Am, to follow in the footsteps of our Illustrious Fathers. In the name of the Grand Council of California we give you salutation.

GENERAL GRAND OFFICERS

OF THE

General Grand Council

OF THE

UNITED STATES

1907-1909

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JOHN T. KIMBALL, Boston.....*General Grand Sentinel*

The Tenth Triennial Assembly will be held in Savannah, Georgia.

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

Officers Elected and Appointed at the Annual Assembly
April 16, A. D. 1906 A. Dep. 2906

*M:.I:.*CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT, GRAND MASTER..... .....*Pasadena*

*R:.I:.*CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.... .....*Stockton*

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*R:.I:.*FRED DUANE VOORHEES, GRAND CONDUCTOR OF COUNCIL .....*Oakland*

*R:.I:.*THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, GRAND STEWARD.... .....*Santa Cruz*

*Ill:.*SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, GRAND ORGANIST.....*San Francisco*

*Ill:.*GEORGE WASHINGTON PERKINS, GRAND SENTINEL..... .....*San Francisco*

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

*M:.I:.*COMP. JAMES BESTOR MERRITT...*1200 Jackson St., Oakland*

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

OF THE

JURISDICTION OF CALIFORNIA

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters assembled in Masonic Temple, San Francisco, Monday, April 16, 1906, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Companions were called to order by the Grand Master, and the Grand Recorder directed to proceed with the roll call; the following named officers and members responding thereto:

*M:.Ill:.*EDUARD KEIL, *Grand Master.*
*R:.Ill:.*CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT, *Deputy Grand Master.*
*R:.Ill:.*CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, *Grand Principal Conductor of Work.*
*R:.Ill:.*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand Treasurer.*
*R:.Ill:.*THOMAS A. DAVIES, *Grand Recorder.*
*R:.Ill:.*HENRY ASCROFT, *Grand Lecturer.*
*R:.Ill:.*WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR, *Grand Captain of Guard.*
*R:.Ill:.*WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY, *Grand Conductor of Council.*
*Ill:.*SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, *Grand Organist.*
*Ill:.*GEORGE WASHINGTON PERKINS, *Grand Sentinel.*

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

*M:.Ill:.*WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES.
*M:.Ill:.*WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.
*M:.Ill:.*GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE.
*M:.Ill:.*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.
*M:.Ill:.*CHARLES LORD FIELD.
*M:.Ill:.*JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.
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*M:.Ill:.*AUGUST WACKERBARTH.
*M:.Ill:.*JACOB HART NEFF.
*M:.Ill:.*JOHN GOULD BISBEE.

COUNCILS REPRESENTED.

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL No. 1—

JAMES FRANCIS LYON, *Principal Conductor of Work.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE,
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL No. 2—

HENRY ASCROFT, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
THOMAS O. HEYDENFELDT, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON, *Principal Conductor of Work.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY,
CHARLES LORD FIELD,
GEORGE PENLINGTON,
HENRY ASCROFT,
ROBERT ASH,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

MARYSVILLE COUNCIL No. 3—

Not Represented.

SONORA COUNCIL No. 5—

WILLIAM LYMAN HOOD, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
ALFRED HERCULES RAINVILLE, *Proxy for the Deputy Illustrious Master and Principal Conductor of Work.*

SHASTA COUNCIL No. 6—

Not Represented.

HELENA COUNCIL No. 9—

Not Represented.

STOCKTON COUNCIL No. 10—

CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, *Thrice Illustrious Master and Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*
WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE.

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL No. 11—

WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH,
JOHN FRANCIS HUGHES,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

OAKLAND COUNCIL No. 12—

FRED DUANE VOORHEES, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT,
W. FRANK PIERCE,
EDWIN ALLEN SHERMAN,
AMASA WRIGHT BISHOP,
WILLIAM JAMES CHESNEY,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

GATEWAY COUNCIL No. 13—

JOHN GOULD BISBEE, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master and Proxy for the Thrice Illustrious Master, the Deputy Illustrious Master and Principal Conductor of Work.*

SANTA ANA COUNCIL No. 14—

ALBERT SUMNER BRADFORD, *Proxy for the Thrice Illustrious Master, the Deputy Illustrious Master and the Principal Conductor of Work.*

VENTURA COUNCIL No. 15—

DAVID J. REESE, *Proxy for the Thrice Illustrious Master, the Deputy Illustrious Master and the Principal Conductor of Work.*

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JEFFERSON CORVOSO FRASER, *Principal Conductor of Work.*
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL No. 17—

THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
EDWARD SWIFT WEST, *Proxy for the Deputy Illustrious Master and the Principal Conductor of Work.*

FRESNO COUNCIL No. 18—

BRENTON JARVIS METZLER, *Proxy for the Thrice Illustrious Master, the Deputy Illustrious Master and the Principal Conductor of Work.*

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

M.·.Ill.·.Companions:

W. FRANK PIERCE.....Arkansas
JACOB HART NEFF.....Colorado
AMASA W. BISHOP.....England and Wales
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS.....Indian Territory
HENRY ASCROFT .....Kansas

AUGUST WACKERBARTH ..... Louisiana
CHARLES LORD FIELD ..... Maine and New York
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY ..... Massachusetts
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE ..... Michigan
JOHN GOULD BISBEE ..... Minnesota
ROBERT ASH ..... Mississippi
GEORGE PENLINGTON ..... Missouri
JOHN FRANCIS HUGHES ..... North Carolina
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT ..... South Carolina
WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES ..... Vermont

Our beloved Companion, Right Illustrious Thomas Kyle, having passed away on the 19th day of August last, the Grand Master appointed Companion Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt to act as Grand Chaplain at the present Assembly, and also requested Companion George Hayes Monroe to fill the station of Grand Steward in the absence of Companion Frank Reeve Woolsey.

There being a sufficient representation present, the Grand Council was then opened in Ample Form, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain and selections by the Grand Organist and Choir.

Companions James Bestor Merritt, Benjamin Brooks Cartwright and George Hayes Monroe were appointed a Committee on Credentials, and after a short recess, reported as present and entitled to seats in this Forty-sixth Annual Assembly all of the Grand Officers excepting the Grand Chaplain and Grand Steward; thirteen Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters, the officers or duly accredited representatives of twelve chartered Councils, with fifteen Grand Representatives of other Grand Councils near the jurisdiction of California.

The report was received, concurred in and the committee discharged.

Committees were named by the Grand Master as follows:

On Jurisprudence—Companions CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, W. FRANK PIERCE, JOHN FRANCIS HUGHES.

On Finance and Returns—Companions BENJAMIN B. CARTWRIGHT, GEORGE PENLINGTON, HENRY ASCROFT.

On Appeals and Grievances—Companions THOMAS O. HEYDENFELDT, WILLIAM H. GAYNOR, WILLIAM O. GIRARDEY.

On New Councils—Companions GEORGE PENLINGTON, WILLIAM H. DAVIS, CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.

On Necrology—Companions FRANKLIN H. DAY, HENRY ASCROFT, WILLIAM A. DAVIES.

The reading of the minutes of the last Annual Assembly was dispensed with, printed copies of the journal having been placed at the disposal of the members.

Companion Benjamin B. Cartwright called attention to the enforced absence, on account of ill health, of Past Grand Master Most Illustrious Henry Sayre Orme, stating that the Doctor wished to express his regret at being unable to attend this Assembly, and to extend to the officers and members present, fraternal greetings with a safe return to families and friends.

Representatives of the several Grand Councils in attendance were welcomed by the Grand Master, with expressions of appreciation for their services to the Craft and an assurance of a continuance of the pleasant fraternal relations heretofore existing between the several jurisdictions represented by them and this grand body.

The Grand Master then delivered his Annual Address as follows:

To the Grand Council of California:

ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANIONS—Behold how swiftly the sands run, and how brief the intervals between our appointed duties. As the day precedes the night, so the morning ushers in the day and the writing on the Trestle Board shows us new acts to be performed and new responsibilities to be assumed.

It seems but yesterday, in reviewing the past, that I received at your hands my commission to direct the progress of the Grand Council as the executive head of Cryptic Masonry in California. In the possession of that commission I felt that the opportunity had been given me to perform a long-desired service in behalf of the organization I had loved and in whose arches I had labored so earnestly as a Royal and Select Master. And as we parted each to resume the duties assigned him one year ago, I felt confident that in the discharge of my labors, I should meet you all at your home Councils and discuss matters pertaining to their welfare and progress; but as the years come and the years go by in our life's experience how often is it impressed upon us that though "man proposes" in the discharge of his duties in the future which seems open before him, there is a Supreme Power which controls his every act and as is said in song and story, "God disposes."

In a short time after the close of the last Annual Assembly, and while making my arrangements for a general visitation of the Councils in our jurisdiction, while on my way home I met with a serious accident on one of our street railway lines; an accident that led to my confinement in the hospital for long and weary months; so extended, in fact, that at the present I feel now as though out on furlough and

liable to be returned at the doctor's dictation. I felt, however, that I could not let this Annual Assembly pass without the opportunity of expressing to you over the broken triangle my thanks for the honor conferred upon me one year ago, and to express my regret that my administration has been one of quiet conformity with present conditions rather than an active and progressive advancement of Cryptic Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction; in other words, my year of service has been one of penance instead of active work in the labors of the Ninth Arch.

My visitations have been confined to my own Council, Sonora Council No. 5, occasional visits during my convalescence to California Council No. 2, and to the new Councils of Santa Cruz and Fresno.

In due time, assisted by Companions Henry Ascroft, our genial and efficient Grand Lecturer, Thomas O. Heydenfeldt, Deputy Illustrious Master of California Council No. 2, and our Grand Recorder, I constituted and installed the officers of Fresno Council No. 18. At the conclusion of the ceremonies we crossed the street to the Hughes Hotel. Refreshments were served in the Cafe by our Fresno Companions, after which a general discussion was indulged in relative to matters appertaining to the Royal Craft.

Thanks to our Grand Lecturer, whose thorough knowledge of all matters appertaining to Cryptic Masonry, is well known from one end of our jurisdiction to the other, we retired with the satisfaction of having spent an instructive as well as a very pleasant evening.

Acting upon the request of Santa Cruz Council No. 17, I deputized Companions Silas Foulk Hoops, Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Hutchinson Council No. 13, Hutchinson, Kansas, to constitute Santa Cruz Council No. 17 and install its officers. In accordance therewith these acts were duly performed and a proper return made to the Grand Recorder.

As to the business affairs of the Grand Council, the year has been one of quiet acquiescence in conditions as they were, rather than an attempt to advance by a radical change of our regulations.

With these remarks, my Companions, I place before you the business of the Forty-sixth Annual Assembly, relying upon your well-known zeal and attachment to Cryptic Masonry for the best results of your legislation.

EDUARD KEIL,
Grand Master.

The Companions expressed their approval of the Address by a round of applause; it was then referred to a committee of three by the Deputy Grand Master, who named as such committee, Companions George Penlington, Jacob H. Neff and Franklin H. Day.

The Grand Recorder then presented the following report:

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:

COMPANIONS—I herewith submit my report of the transactions of the Grand Recorder's office for the year ending with the convening of this, the Forty-sixth Annual Assembly, with a summary of the work done by the several Councils of this jurisdiction for the year ending January 31, 1906.

The Journal of Proceedings of the Forty-fifth Annual Assembly was distributed as soon as delivered by the printer, as heretofore ordered by the Grand Council, viz: One copy to each Grand and Past Grand Officer, one copy to each Representative to and from the Grand Council of California, three copies to each Grand Council with which we are in communication, and four copies to each Council under our jurisdiction.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence, Most Illustrious Companion James Bestor Merritt, will be published with the Journal of Proceedings.

The receipts of the office since the date of the report of the Forty-fifth Annual Assembly have been as follows:

For Annual Dues from—	
Sacramento Council No. 1	$ 119 50
California Council No. 2	184 00
Marysville Council No. 3	21 00
Sonora Council No. 5	57 50
Shasta Council No. 6	20 00
Helena Council No. 9	25 00
Stockton Council No. 10	50 50
Los Angeles Council No. 11	296 50
Oakland Council No. 12	160 50
Gateway Council No. 13	44 50
Santa Ana Council No. 14	44 50
Ventura Council No. 15	21 50
Pasadena Council No. 16	30 50
Santa Cruz Council No. 17	19 50
Fresno Council No. 18	72 00
	$1,167 00
Charter Fee Santa Cruz Council No. 17	20 00
Charter Fee Fresno Council No. 18	20 00
Interest on Deposits in San Francisco Savings Union	44 88
Total Receipts	$1,251 88

All of which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer.

The following is an abstract of the number of Councils and their work for the year now closed:

Number of Councils	18	
Number of Councils working	15	
Number of Councils making returns	15	
Greeted during the year		191
Affiliated		13
Restored		2
		206
Withdrawn	6	
Excluded	3	
Suspended non-payment of dues	22	
Died	32	63
Gain		143
Membership January 31, 1906		1,955

Before closing our report we wish to call attention to the vacant chair, unoccupied for the first time in a period of sixteen years, of our beloved Grand Chaplain and Past Grand Master, Most Illustrious Companion Thomas Kyle, who passed away at his home in this city on the 19th of August last. A Christian gentleman, an enthusiastic Mason; his epitaph inscribed upon the memory of those who knew him best, "Here lieth a good man."

The Committee on Necrology will prepare a fitting tribute, to be published with our Journal of Proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. DAVIES,

Grand Recorder.

The report was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Grand Treasurer then read his report, which was also referred to the Finance Committee.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the M:.I:.Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:

The undersigned respectfully submits the following statement of receipts and disbursements of the Grand Treasurer since the last Annual Assembly:

FRANKLIN H. DAY, GRAND TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE GRAND COUNCIL, R. & S. M. OF CALIFORNIA.

1905.				
April 17.	To balance cash on hand			$2,002 81
Oct. 12.	Received from Grand Recorder	$ 20 00		
1906.				
Feb. 3.	Received from Grand Recorder	166 00		
Feb. 15.	Received from Grand Recorder	616 00		
Feb 21.	Received from Grand Recorder	59 00		
March 8.	Received from Grand Recorder	53 25		
April 11.	Received from Grand Recorder	292 75		
			$1,207 00	
	To dividends on deposit in San Francisco Savings Union		44 88	
	Receipts			1,251 88
				$3,254 69

Paid Samuel D. Mayer, services as Grand Organist	$ 7 50
" George W. Perkins, services as Grand Guard	7 50
" Cunningham, Curtis & Welch, office supplies for Grand Recorder	7 44
" F. P. McLennan, rent of Grand Recorder's offices to May 1, 1906	60 00
" Macoy Co., Chase's Monitors for Grand Recorder's office	6 67
" H. W. Mordhurst, Gen. Grand Council Rituals for office Grand Recorder	35 00
" Bolton & Strong, half-tone, P. G. M. Sutherland, for Proceedings	5 40
" Royal Insurance Co., premium on insurance policy to March, 1906	9 70
" Fresno Council, expense of organization returned to Council	83 25
" A. Fleishacker Co., wrappers for Proceedings, office Grand Recorder	2 50
" Walter N. Brunt, printing 450 copies Proceedings, 1905	210 00
" Wells, Fargo & Co., shipping Proceedings for Grand Recorder	9 32

"	Postage stamps for Grand Recorder's office	20 00
"	James B. Merritt, Report on Correspondence	50 00
"	Thomas A. Davies, salary as Grand Recorder to April 1, 1906	125 00
"	H. W. Mordhurst, dues to General Grand Council	7 50
"	Eduard Keil, Grand Master's visitation expenses	150 00
"	Frank Eastman & Co., sundry printing for Grand Recorder	30 50
"	Santa Cruz Council, expense of organization returned to Council	43 50
Disbursements for the year ending April 15, 1906		$ 870 78
1906.		
April 17.	Balance in hands of Grand Treasurer (on deposit in San Francisco Savings Union)	$2,383 91

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN H. DAY,

Grand Treasurer.

R:.Ill:.Companion Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer, offered the following report, which was read and referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address:

To the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of California:

ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANIONS—During the past year I have had the pleasure of visiting a number of the Councils of our jurisdiction and thought that perhaps at this time a few words relative thereto would prove interesting to the Companions here assembled.

GATEWAY COUNCIL NO. 13.

On the 17th day of June, 1905, accompanied by Companions Jacob H. Neff, Wm. A. Davies, George Penlington, Jerome B. Richardson and Franklin H. Day, I visited Gateway Council No. 13. All the members of this Council are enthusiastic in their "work," which is proof sufficient that this Council is ever to be found in a flourishing condition, leaving nothing to be desired further than a continuation of its prosperity.

SONORA COUNCIL NO. 5.

November 8, 1905, accompanied by Grand Master Eduard Keil, I visited Sonora Council No. 5. This Council must also be classified as one in the foremost rank, zealous and faithful in the beautiful "work" of the revised Ritual.

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL NO. 11.

November 29, 1905, a visit was paid to Los Angeles Council No. 11. Here also words of commendation seem superfluous, nevertheless stimu-

lating and encouraging, the members being ardent in their "work" and taking a justifiable pride in the progress of their Council. The result is prosperity and an enviable record.

FRESNO COUNCIL No. 18.

On December 2, 1905, accompanied by Grand Master Eduard Keil, I constituted Fresno Council No. 18, installed its officers and also exemplified the "work." Companions Grand Recorder Thomas A. Davies and Thomas O. Heydenfeldt being present on that occasion.

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL No. 1.

December 20, 1905, I installed the officers in Sacramento Council No 1, and on January 29th, accompanied by Grand Recorder Thomas A. Davies, witnessed the conferring of the Royal and Select Master's Degree and exemplified the Super Excellent. Here also the flame of enthusiasm runs high, the members of Sacramento Council apparently convinced that "life is worth living" and "that good work endureth forever."

SHASTA COUNCIL No. 6.

February 13, 1906, whilst in Redding on Chapter business, I learned, upon inquiry, that Shasta Council had not held a meeting for some time, and on March 14th I received a communication from that quarter soliciting a visit and some instruction, a request I will attend to in the near future.

During my travels on Chapter business, I invariably coupled with the same the interest of the Council wherever possible; thus on February 20th, while in Marysville, I ascertained the status of Marysville Council No. 3 to be similar to that of Shasta Council No. 6, and regretted my inability to devote further time on that occasion in the interest of the Council.

OAKLAND COUNCIL No. 12.

On the 30th day of March, 1906, by invitation, I visited Oakland Council No. 12 and exemplified the "work" in the several degrees. Oakland Council, well supported by both "the new and the old guard," is gliding along in peace and prosperity.

In conclusion, and although last, but by no means the least, California Council No. 2 should merit a passing notice; but being my home Council, I feel disqualified to publicly express my opinion, and by permission, will take the same under advisement.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ASCROFT,

Grand Lecturer.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:

COMPANIONS—*In re* the suggestion of Grand Master *M:.Ill:.*David M. Sutherland, that Councils be not restricted to their local places of meeting in the conferring of the Cryptic Degrees, but may visit and work in any Chapter hall within their respective jurisdictions, the matter was introduced by *Ill:.*Companion James B. Merritt during the session of the Forty-fifth Annual Assembly of this Grand Council, and although unanimously concurred in at that time was deemed of sufficient importance to warrant its reference to your Committee on Jurisprudence, with instructions to report at the session to be held April 17, 1906, and it was so referred.

Pursuant thereto your Committee on Jurisprudence report as follows:

We find nothing objectionable in said suggestion, either constitutional or otherwise, but on the contrary, believe it would greatly increase the membership of the several Councils and be of material assistance in advancing Cryptic Masonry in this jurisdiction. We therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:

Resolved, That a Council of Royal and Select Masters of this jurisdiction be permitted and encouraged to visit any of the Chapters located nearer to it than to any other Council, take with it its clothing and jewels, and in said Chapter hall confer the Cryptic Degrees; provided, that the candidates upon whom the degrees are to be conferred shall have been elected prior thereto, at the local place of meeting of said visiting Council.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES WILLIS NORTON,
W. FRANK PIERCE,
JOHN FRANCIS HUGHES,
Committee.

The action of the committee was approved and the resolution unanimously adopted as recommended.

The Special Committee on Grand Master's Address and the report of the Grand Lecturer now reported as follows:

To the M:.Ill:.Grand Council of California:

Your committee, to whom was referred the address of the *M:.Ill:.* Grand Master, respectfully report that after listening to his recital of the painful ordeal through which he passed during the year just closed, your committee feel that the substance of their report should be one of thankfullness to the Supreme Grand Master for his goodness and mercy, in his protecting care of our executive head while confined to his bed by injuries received while engaged in his usual business pur-

suits. And for his return to us in comparative health and strength to enable him again to enter the secret vault and there from nine o'clock at night till twelve, pursue his labors in the interest of and for the welfare of Cryptic Masonry.

With the Grand Master we congratulate the Grand Council that the conditions in the jurisdiction have been so harmonious as not to suffer from the lack of visitations that would have been both pleasant and profitable to the several families of Royal and Select Masters during the year. And we, on behalf of the Councils, assure him of a hearty welcome upon the occasion of a future call from him.

We recommend that his action in the constitution of Santa Cruz and Fresno Councils be approved with his other official acts.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE PENLINGTON,
JACOB H. NEFF,
FRANKLIN H. DAY,
Committee.

To the M:.Ill:.Grand Council of California:

The Committee on Address of the Grand Master had also referred to it a report made by the Grand Lecturer, of Councils visited and instructed by him when in the discharge of his duties as Grand Lecturer of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. Companion Ascroft reports the visitation of ten Councils of Royal and Select Masters, besides his own Council, California No. 2. In these several Councils Companion Ascroft reports their working condition and their general usefulness in the propagation of the Cryptic Rite.

The report is an excellent one and of positive benefit to the Grand Council. The time for which the report was made was entirely neglected, owing to the illness of the Grand Master, and there would have been no visitation of the several Councils but for Companion Ascroft's valuable and timely service, and the service has been voluntarily rendered without money and without price. We are also advised that our excellent Companion has left the beaten track and gone out of his way to serve moribund and sleepy Councils. Your Committee are pleased to acknowledge this really valuable service and recommend that Illustrious Companion Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer, be tendered the thanks of the Grand Council for his unselfish and voluntary services as teacher of the Cryptic Rite in California.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE PENLINGTON,
JACOB H. NEFF,
FRANKLIN H. DAY,
Committee.

The reports were approved and the recommendations of the Committee adopted.

The Committee on Finance and Returns made the following report:

To the M:. Ill:. Grand Council of California:

Your Committee has examined the books of the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer. We find them correct and kept in accordance with the regulations of Grand Council. The cash balance of $2383.91 reported by the Grand Treasurer is on deposit with the San Francisco Savings Union.

We recommend that hereafter vouchers be filed with the Grand Recorder for warrants drawn on the appropriation for visitation expenses, and that at the end of the year, any unexpended portion of such appropriation be returned to Grand Council.

The following appropriations are submitted for the coming year:

For printing journal of the present Assembly	$200 00
For expenses of Grand Master's visitations	150 00
For Grand Recorder's salary	125 00
For contingent expenses Grand Recorder	50 00
For rent of Grand Recorder's office	60 00
For Committee on Correspondence	50 00
For salary of Grand Organist	7 50
For salary of Grand Sentinel	7 50
	$650 00

Respectfully submitted,
BENJAMIN B. CARTWRIGHT,
GEORGE PENLINGTON,
HENRY ASCROFT,
Committee.

The report was approved, the recommendation adopted and the appropriations ordered made as stated by the Committee.

The several Committees, on Jurisprudence, Appeals and Grievances and on New Councils reported no business before them.

The time for the election of officers for the ensuing year having arrived, the Grand Master appointed as tellers Companions JAMES FRANCIS LYON and ALBERT SUMNER BRADFORD, and the Grand Council proceeded with the election, which resulted as follows:

*M:.Ill:.*CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT, Grand Master.
*R:.Ill:.*CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, Deputy Grand Master.
*R:.Ill:.*WILLIAM H. GAYNOR, Grand Principal Conductor of Work.
*R:.Ill:.*FRANKLIN H. DAY, Grand Treasurer.
*R:.Ill:.*THOMAS A. DAVIES, Grand Recorder.

The Grand Master elect appointed:

*R:.Ill:.*Thomas O. Heydenfeldt, Grand Chaplain.
*R:.Ill:.*Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer.
*R:.Ill:.*William O. Girardey, Grand Captain of Guard.
*R:.Ill:.*Fred Duane Voorhees, Grand Conductor of Council.
*R:.Ill:.*Thompson Wilson Drullard, Grand Steward.
*Ill:.*Samuel David Meyer, Grand Organist.
*Ill:.*George Washington Perkins, Grand Sentinel.

The officers, elect and appointed were then installed by M:. Ill: Eduard Keil assisted by R:.Ill:.Companion Henry Ascroft, acting as Master of Ceremonies.

M:.Ill:.Companion James Bestor Merritt was reappointed Fraternal Correspondent of this Grand Council.

No further business appearing the minutes of the session were read and approved; the Grand Council was then closed in Ample Form, the Grand Chaplain leading the Companions in their devotions with appropriate music by the Grand Organist.

A true copy of the Proceedings of the Forty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters held in Masonic Temple, San Francisco, April 16, 1906.

Witness my signature, with the seal of our Grand Council, and the attestation thereunto of our Grand Recorder.

Grand Master.

Attest:

Grand Recorder.

APPENDICES

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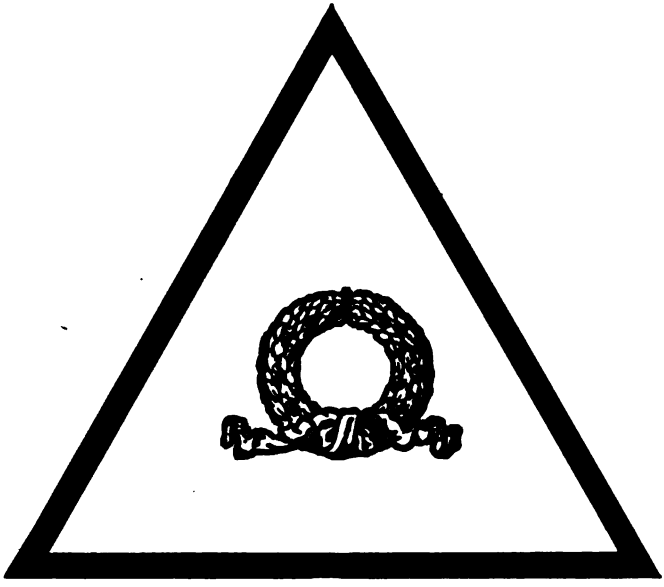

Necrology

"And I heard a voice from Heaven saying unto me, write, blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

In Memoriam

Most Illustrious Companion

Thomas Kyle

Born in Belfast, Ireland, 1822.

Died at San Francisco, August 17th, 1905.

Past Master California Council No. 2.

Past Grand Master Grand Council of California.

Grand Chaplain Grand Council of California.

"There is no such thing as death—
In nature nothing dies:
From each sad remnant of decay
Some forms of life arise.
The little leaf that falls,
All brown and sere to earth
Ere long will mingle with the buds
That give the flower its birth."

The following named Companions have answered the summons of the Great I Am during the past year:

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Sacramento Council No. 1.

JOHN HURLEY ..... Aug. 14, 1905

California Council No. 2.

THOMAS KYLE ..... Aug. 19, 1905
FREDERICK N. GILES ..... May 2, 1905
HENRY ROBERT BARCLAY .....
THOMAS ROTCH HORTON ..... May, 8, 1906
WILLIAM PEACOCK ..... April 18, 1906

Marysville Council No. 3.

WILLIAM ANDREW LOWERY ..... July 28, 1905

Shasta Council No. 6.

MORRIS MEHON ..... Mar. 15, 1905

Helena Council No. 9.

WALTER E. FREDERICK ..... Feb. 25, 1905

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

Sacramento Council No. 1.

WILLIAM HENRY DIXON ..... Sept. 24, 1905
ALBERT GALLATIN ..... Oct. 14, 1905
DUDLEY HAINES HASKELL ..... May 2, 1905
JOHN HURLEY ..... Aug. 14, 1905
WILLIAM JOHNSTON ..... Nov. 15, 1905
CHARLES AUGUST LUHRS ..... Jan. 23, 1905
JAMES EDGAR MILLS ..... Mar. 20, 1905
ALFRED OLSON ..... Jan. 31, 1905

California Council No. 2.

THOMAS KYLE ..... Aug. 17, 1905
MILBURN HILL LOGAN ..... Jan. 5, 1906
PHILIP D. CODE ..... June 21, 1905
JOHN IRA SABIN ..... Oct. 10, 1905
BARCLAY, ROBERT HENRY .....
HORTON, THOMAS ROTCH ..... May 8, 1906
GILES, FREDERICK N. ..... May 2, 1905
PEACOCK, WILLIAM ..... May 8, 1906

Marysville Council No. 3.

WILLIAM ANDREW LOWERY ..... July 28, 1905

Sonora Council No. 5.

WILBUR LONG ..... Mar. 6, 1905
JOHN FREDERICK YOSSI ..... Jan. 15, 1906

Shasta Council No. 6.

MORRIS MEHON ..... Mar. 15, 1905
JAMES LEVIN NICHOLS ..... Feb. 3, 1906
GUNTHER F. C. SCHROTER ..... Mar. 19, 1905
CHAMPION W. SMITH ..... Nov. 22, 1904

Helena Council No. 9.

WALTER E. FREDERICK ..... Feb. 25, 1905

Stockton Council No. 10.

WILLIAM BRUCE HARRISON ..... Apr. 2, 1905
PETER STERLING ROBERTSON ..... June 3, 1905

Los Angeles Council No. 11.

WILLIAM BOSBYSHELL ..... Jan. 6, 1906
WILLIAM THOMAS MCFIE ..... Mar. 8, 1905
ROBERT HENRY FAUNTLEROY VARIEL ..... Mar. 3, 1905

Oakland Council No. 12.

JOHN HENRY EVERS ..... Feb. 10, 1905
ROGER BERRY FRIEND ..... Feb. 22, 1905
JOHN MCCLAIN ..... Nov. 18, 1905

Gateway Council No. 13.

THOMAS MILTON TODD ..... Sept. 15, 1905

Santa Cruz Council No. 17.

STEPHEN WALLACE TRUESDELL ..... Nov. 21, 1905
BERNHARD WISE ..... Nov. 21, 1905

Fresno Council No. 18.

WESTWOOD JAMES BAKER ..... July 4, 1905

Memorials have been received announcing the death of the following Illustrious Companions of other jurisdictions:

Alabama—Most Illustrious JAMES TAIT BECK, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Alabama in the years 1889-1890, was born in Camden, Alabama, February 26, 1851, and died at Selma, Alabama, on the evening of May 6, 1906.

Arkansas—Most Illustrious S. D. DODGE, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Arkansas, departed this life at Little Rock, January 10, 1906, in the sixty-fourth year of his age.

Most Illustrious OMER J. SHORT, born in Buena Vista, Georgia, January 15, 1867, died at his home in that city, March 2, 1906. He was Grand Master of the Grand Council of Arkansas during the year 1898. His interest and zeal in Cryptic Masonry was particularly marked.

Indiana—Most Illustrious WILLIAM W. AUSTIN, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Indiana, was born June 7, 1823, and died April 25, 1905, in the eighty-second year of his age.

Iowa—Most Illustrious ALMON R. DEWEY, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Iowa, was born October 1, 1845, and died April 15, 1905.

Kansas—Right Illustrious JACOB D. RUSH, Past Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of Kansas, was born November 6, 1840, and died October 26, 1904.

Louisiana—Most Illustrious SAMUEL MANNING TODD, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Louisiana, died February 1, 1905.

Maine—Most Illustrious MARQUIS F. KING, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Maine, died on the 24th day of October, 1904.

Most Illustrious HORACE H. BURBANK, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Maine, died on the 8th day of January, 1905.

Michigan—Right Illustrious LEWIS C. GOODRICH, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Council of Michigan, died on the 7th day of August, 1905.

Most Illustrious BYRON C. HILL, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of the State of Michigan, was born January 6, 1851, and died on the 15th day of April, 1905. He was Grand Master during the year 1902.

Most Illustrious ANDREW JACKSON UTLEY, Past Grand Master of Michigan during the year 1876, was born on the 30th day of May, 1833, and died November 10, 1905.

Most Illustrious D. BURNHAM TRACY, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of the State of Michigan in the year 1862, was born July 5, 1829, and died on the 9th day of February, 1906.

Minnesota—Most Illustrious JOHN RICHARD CAREY, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of the State of Minnesota, died on the 25th day of August, 1905.

Missouri—Most Illustrious JOSEPH S. BROWNE, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of the State of Missouri during the year 1873, died on February 12, 1906, at the age of seventy years.

Most Illustrious THOMAS ELWOOD GARRETT, Past Grand Master of the State of Missouri, died June 29, 1905. At the time of his death he was the oldest living Past Grand Master, having presided as such during the year 1867.

Most Illustrious ALLAN MCDOWELL, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Missouri during the year 1872, died on the 20th day of May, 1906, at the age of seventy-three years.

Nebraska—Most Illustrious ROBERT WILKINSON FURNAS, Past Grand Master of the State of Nebraska, was born on the 5th day of May, 1824, and died June 1, 1905.

Ohio—Right Illustrious HENRY TRUE, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Council of Ohio, was born in the city of Marion, on January 26, 1848, and died at his home in that city on the 30th day of April, 1906. He was elected Grand Treasurer September 13, 1902, and filled that position until his death.

Wisconsin—Right Illustrious W. G. Reebe, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of the State of Wisconsin, died on the 16th day of October, 1904.

"Somewhere the sun is shining,
Somewhere the songbirds dwell;
Hush, then, thy sad repining,
God lives, and all is well.

Somewhere the day is longer,
Somewhere the task is done;
Somewhere the heart is stronger,
Somewhere the guerdon won.

Somewhere the load is lifted,
Close by an open gate;
Somewhere the clouds are rifted,
Somewhere the angels wait."

Wm. A. Davies,
Franklin H. Day,
Henry Ascroft,
Committee.

RETURNS OF COUNCILS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

Grand Council of California

A. D. 1906, A. Dep. 2906.

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL. No. 1.

SACRAMENTO, SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, last Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Egbert Alfred Brown, *T. I. M.*
Joseph Abner Courter, *D. I. M.*
James Francis Lyon, *P. C. W.*
William Monroe Petrie, *Treasurer.*
James Ellsworth Thompson, *Recorder.*
John McIndeor, *C. of Guard.*
William Hewson Davis, *Conductor.*
William Franklin Jackson, *Steward.*
Cephas Charles Olney, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Powell Samuel Lawson, *P. G. M.*
William Monroe Petrie, *P. G. M.*
John William Rock, *P. G. M.*
William Hewson Davis, *P. G. M.*
Harry Ingham
Richard Vaughan
Richard Palmer Burr
Alexander John Gardiner
David Farr
Louis Cyrus Schindler
William Alexander January
Charles Richard Goss
James Ellsworth Thompson
George Dunn
Daniel Hyman
Thomas Joseph Hesson
Theodore Jones Milliken
William Ohmer Girardey

SELECT MASTERS.

Alderson, Richard
Alexander, Robert
Alltucker, Henry
Anderson, Joseph Maurice
Baker, Alfred Septimus
Baldwin, William Hedges
Barton, Charles Thomas
Bassett, William Walter
Bassett, George Combs
Bates, Hugh Roland
Baughman, Noble Henry
Bell, Henry Clay
Beesley, Charles Henry
Bittancourt, Thomas Maria

Block, Maurice
Book, Franklin Weaver
Booth, Albert Porch
Boyd, Joseph Charles
Bragg, Charles Lourin
Breuner, John
Breuner, Louis Frederick
Burgess, Alfred Llewellyn
Burnham, James Henry
Camp, James Glasby
Carlson, Charles Alfred
Carroll, Edgar Barclay
Caselli, Ansono
Champlin, Nelson
Chapman, George Warren
Chrisman, Elmer Judson
Church, William Smithers
Clark, George Harvey
Clauss, John
Clemons, William Strong
Cohn, Edward Francis
Cook, George Nesbitt
Cooledge, Isaac Baldwin
Coppersmith, Michael Thomas
Cothrin, William Kip
Cox, Thomas Jones
Curtis, William Albert
Cuthbert, William Williams
Davis, James Gilliland
De Coe, Culver Adam
Denson, Samuel Crawford
Derman, George Louis
Dierssen, George Ernest August
Douglas, William Wallace
Dreyer, Rasmus Peter Nielson
Duden, Ellsworth Frederick
Dunbar, Marcus William
Feldhusen, John Henry
Folger, Alfred Gilbert
Forney, Henry Hinkle
Fox, Thomas
Foye, William Robinson Smith
Frahm, Claus
Frommelt, Hugo
Gardiner, Charles Francis
George, Wilbur Forrest
Gerber, William Emil
Gett, William Andrew
Gillis, Dugald
Gray, Frank Livingstone
Gray, Arthur Irvine
Guthrie, John William
Hale, Evert Wilbern
Hale, Marshal, Jr.
Hale, Prentiss Cobb
Hall, Thomas Bertram
Hall, Harry William
Hamilton, William Brown
Hammer, Mosheim Schumacher
Harper, Horatio Thomas
Harvey, Edwin Henry
Hatch, Wilber Mark
Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette
Haynes, Edward
Heilbron, Adolph
Heilbron, Henry August
Heintzleman, Taylor Washington
Heisen, Charles Jr.
Heitman, John Henry
Herzog, Philip
Hoffman, Daniel Webster
Hollister, Charles Edwin
Hoover, Benjamin Van Zandt
Hopkins, Edwin Carmi
Hubbs, Anthony
Ilgner, Charles William
Johnson, Frank Taylor
Johnson, Hiram Warren
Johnson, Philip
Johnson, Israel Joseph
Johnson, Howard Kennedy
Johnston, Alfred J.
Johnston, Presley Thomas
Jordan, Leander Richard
Kercheval, Howard Douglas
Ketcham, Marvin Alonzo
Kiesel, Frederick William
Kimbrough, Richard Oscar
Kleinsorge, Henry Emil
Kleinsorge, William Edward

Klune, John Bernhard
Knights, William Durrant
Knights, William Rudd
Knox, William Frederick
Lane, George William
Lawson, Walter Brokaw
Lehrman, August Frederick
Levison, Jacob
Lightner, Bonus
Little, Christopher
Luce, John Coachman
Marzen, Joseph Jr.
Maslin, Prentiss
Mathews, Charles James
McCandless, George Lindley
McCune, Henry Ewalt
McEntyre, Dan Hugh
McKee, Edwin Hervey
McKee, James Anderson
McLaughlin, William
McMartin, John Alexander
McMaster, James Curtin
Meister, August
Meister, George Albert
Meyer, Johann Gerhard
Menke, Anton
Miller, Dwight Henry
Molter, Jacob Phillip
Morrison, James Mathew
Morton, Charles Wardle
Nichols, Arthur Lambard
Noack, Charles John
Ochsner, John
O'Neil, James
Peck, Nelson Stanley
Perkins, Charles Calley
Peterson, William Frederick
Phillips, Charles Avery
Phipps, Charles Edward
Pike, John Elias Tucker
Platt, Philemon Eli
Pope, Samuel Jr.
Prouty, William Harrison
Putnam, George Prescott
Randle, George Nelson
Read, Herbert Alfred James
Rego, Edward Sunderland
Reid, Thomas Benton
Rideout, Benjamin Norman
Root, Charles Albert
Royster, William Alexander
Schadt, Frederick William
Scheunert, Carl Emil
Schmid, Emil
Schroth, John George
Scott, Thomas James
Sheldon, William Chauncey
Shonefelt, William Domer
Simmonds, William Shapel
Smith, Benjamin
Smith, Thomas
Springsted, Ernest Willard
Stephenson, William Albert
Stephenson, Harley Howard
Stevenson, Henry Llewellyn
Steffens, Joseph
Steinman, Bernard Ulmer
Stober, Frederick Conrad
Stoll, Benjamin Franklin
Sweany, John
Teichert, Adolph
Tozer, Charles Walter
Ulp, Alfred
Van Fleet, William Carey
Vermilya, Abram John
Vaughn, Edward
Wachhorst, Eugene Stuart
Walther, Charles Frederick
Welch, Benjamin
Welch, George Drake
Weil, Edward Adolph
White, George Amos
White, John Lysander
Wiard, William Frederick
Williams, Austin Daniel
Willis, Evander Berry
Winterburn, George Howard
Wood, William
Wood, Thomas
Wood, Henry Clay

Woods, Victor Hugo
Woodburn, Charles Gabriel
Woodward, George Allen
Wright, Charles Edward
Yardley, Herbert Edward
Young, John Nelles
Young, Lamartine Wilson—225

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Ettlinger, Bernard
Lykins, Preston Lodwick—2

EXCLUDED.

Gray, Alexander Isaac—1

DIED.

Dixon, William Henry
Gallatin, Albert
Haskell, Dudley Haines
Hurley, John
Johnston, William
Luhrs, Charles August
Mills, James Edgar
Olson, Alfred—8

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	228	Suspended for N. P. D.	2
Greeted	7	Excluded	1
Affiliated	1—236	Died	8
		Now borne upon the roll	225—236

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL, No. 2.

SAN FRANCISCO, SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Henry Ascroft, *Th. Ill. Master*
Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt, *D. I. M.*
George Penlington, *Prin. C. W.*
Charles Lord Field, *Treasurer*
Franklin Henry Day, *Recorder*
Albert Michael Wapple, *C. of Guard.*
Michael John Kelley, *Conductor*
Marcus Getz, *Steward*
Samuel David Mayer, *Organist*
Geo. Washington Perkins, *S'nt'l*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Franklin Henry Day, *P. G. M.*
Charles Lord Field, *P. G. M.*
George Penlington, *P. G. M.*
Henry Ascroft, *P. G. M.*
Robert Ash, *P. G. M.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Aigeltinger, Edward Hugo
Aiken, John R.
Alexander, Joseph
Allen, Richard Spicer
Andres, George Samuel
Andrews, Edwin Harold
Andrews, Thomas P.
Armstrong, George Robert
Ayers, Clarence Warwick
Baker, Charles Henry
Barbier, Howard Frederic
Barstow, William Addison
Bassett, Charles Follen
Bauer, Chris John
Bauer, George William
Baum, David Andrew
Baum, Simon
Behrens, Ludwig Philip
Benedict, Courtland Smith
Beretta, Cæsar Louis
Berry, De Los Tracy
Berry, John Lafayette
Bingham, William Alexander
Black, Howard
Black, Marshall
Blackman, Ellis Aaron
Blackman, Morris Jacob
Blossom, Henry Eckford
Bohle, Alfred Frederick
Bohls, Henry
Bone, Charles
Bonney, Charles Sumner
Booth, Frank Edmund
Bragg, Robert
Braunschweiger, Edward
Bromley, George Tisdale
Browell, Jeremiah
Bruce, James Henderson
Brunings, John Henry
Bruns, Henry Frederick
Brunt, Walter Neat
Bullock, John Henry
Buswell, William Francis
Caley, John
Callinan, William
Campbell, Walter Chauncey
Chamberlain, Philander Peregreen
Chapman, Edward Kirk
Christian, Cæsar
Clark, George Dickson
Cleve, Clarence Taylor
Clingman, George Evans
Cluness, William Ross
Coburn, Ira Winn
Collins, William Henry
Conlisk, Charles William
Cook, Joseph Wheeler
Cook, Morton Leon
Cox, Alexander Middleton
Crim, William Henry
Crocker, Henry Joseph
Crocker, William Henry
Cross, Charles Vernon
Cumback, William Elbert
Daggett, John Randolph
Davis, Thomas Abraham
Davies, Llewellyn
Davis, Burt Lincoln
Davis, Henry Harvey
Davis, Winfield Scott
Day, Thomas Henry
Decker, Charles William
De Lamare, Auguste Jacques
Dietterle George
Dobbel, Charles Henry Louis
Dobler, Charles
Dodd, Willis Gorman
Dominguez, Richard Arthur
Dow, Edwin Tyson
Dragomanovich, Spiro S. G.
Duncan, Benjamin Beatty
Dunn, James
Dunne, James Patrick
Durbrow, Ross Lewis
Easton, Daniel Elisha Foote
Easton, Wendell
Eckart, William Roberts
Eddy, Richard A.

Edwards, Hugh Pugh
Edwards, Thomas Clay
Edwards, William Harvey
Eisner, Milton Sidney
Erdmann, Wm. George Berthold
Erlin, George Edwin
Eva, James Martin
Eva, Samuel James
Everding, James Campbell
Ewart, David Fraser
Ferguson, Phineas Fanning
Fetz, Joseph, Jr.
Feudner, Martin Otto
Filmer, George
Filmer, William Parker
Flint, Thomas
Foster, Arthur William
Fox, Edwin Benton
Fraser, John P.
Frolich, Theodore
Fuller, William Henry
Gage, William Stebbins
Garratt, Benjamin Franklin
Gehret, Frederick
Geilfuss, Carl
Goldman, Max
Gordon, James Edward
Gould, Charles Walter
Grauerholz, Henry John
Graves, Nathan Brockett
Gray, John Hatfield
Gray, William Smith
Green, Charles Ernest
Gruenhagen, Charles Henry
Gruenhagen, Theo. Godlove
Haas, David Leopold
Hale, Reuben Brooks
Hall, Otho Norris
Hallett, Alonzo
Halloran, Joseph Francis
Hammond, Samuel Chester
Hanselman, Andrew
Hansen, Frederick Ludwig
Harris, Marshall C.
Harris, Thomas Voel
Hassler, William Charles
Hatch, James Henry
Hauxhurst, Samuel Weeks
Hawks, James Lawrence
Hellwig, Christian
Henning, Hans Theodore
Highton, Henry Edward
Hoffman, Henry Nathaniel
Hopkins, Timothy
Horn, Bernard Jeremiah
Hubbard, Henry Calvin
Huested, Orson Justus
Huff, William Henry Routin
Humphreys, William Penn
Hutchings, Hiram Samuel
Isaacs, Edward Samuel
Jacobs, Albert
Jacobs, Albert Pocorny
Jellison, Benjamin Franklin
Jewett, George Albert
Johnson, Albert de Montfredy
Johnson, George
Johnson, Roosevelt
Jones, Edward Campbell
Keilus, Charles
Kent, Thaddeus Benning
Kern, Morris James
Kimball, Roy Thurston
King, Joseph Libbey
Kinne, Charles Mason
Kittridge, Ralph Bell
Klein, John Mathias
Koenig, Frank
Koenig, Fredrich H. W. D.
Kohler, Henry
Kramer, Louis George
Kreig, Anton
Landgrebe, Robert George
Laumeister, Gustave
Law, Hartland
Lawrence, William Babcock
Lee, John, Jr.
Lester, Henry Charles
Lewers, Robert
Lewis, William

Lippman, George W.
Long, Herbert Clifton
Lowell, Albert Carroll
Lucas, Walter Edward
Lyman, William Whittingham
Lynch, Henry Hudson
Lyon, William Henry

MacBain, John
Madison, Henry Bennett
Mangrum, Arthur Sherman
Manner, Charles Vogt
Manning, Horatio Seymour
Mansfield, Joel Henry
Marquis, Ferdinand P. C.
Marsh, John Alfred
Martell, Harry Gaylord
Mayo, Henry Browne
McCarty, James
McDougall, Charles Campbell
McKellar, Norman
McMillan, Robert
Meigs, Anson Woodman
Merralls, William Augustus
Metzner, Charles Francis
Meyer, Arthur
Meyers, John Jacob
Miller, Thurlow Spragge
Moebus, Fred Wm. Gustav
Monckton, Frank Daniel
Montealegre, Carlos Francisco
Moore, Andrew
Morgan, Charles Augustus
Mouser, Silas Mercer
Muller, Louis
Mundwyler, John Jacob
Murdock, George Leonard
Murphy, Charles Henry
Myrson, Simon

Neuhaus, Christian Henry Fred
Neustadter, Louis William
Newhall, Edwin White
Newman, George Howard
Nicholas, Nahum
Niles, Edward Jackson
Nopander, Louis Nicholas
Noteware, Edward Washington
Nuttall, Hasalom

O'Connor, Edward Arthur
O'Connor, Joseph
Olsen, William
Otersen, Herman
Overgaard, Soren Knudson

Parker, Theodore Roosevelt
Patton, Charles Lewis
Payne, Warren Ritch
Peck, Philip
Pennington, George W.
Pennington,
Perine, George Mairs
Perkins, Samuel Henry
Perley, Albion Starbird
Phillips, William Rippard
Pike, Charles William
Poole, John Wesley
Price, William Edmund
Prince, Henry Gilman
Raabe, Frederick Otto
Rennie, William
Rice, Thomas Clark
Ridley, Arthur Ernest Brooke
Rieser, Edwin Oliver
Robinson, Thomas Braceland
Roeder, William Frederick
Ryan, Michael

Samter, Marks
Savage, Michael Joseph
Schetzel, Adolph Georg
Schmidt, Henry
Schmidt, Valentine
Schnee, Gustave
Schomer, George
Schreiber, Martin August W.
Schwab, Henry Frederick
Scott, Clarence Sydney
Scott, Henry Wilson
Seibel, Philipp
Silverstein, Jacob
Siminoff, Morris
Smith, H. L.
Smith, Lewis Warren

Smith, William Jacob
Sorensen, James A.
Soule, Arthur Calvin
Soule, William Lloyd Garrison
Spaulding, James Garfield
Speier, Bernard
Stallman, Charles Christian
Starbird, Albion Wilson
Stephenson, Edward
Stoddard, Augustus Wynne
Sumner, Frank William
Sussman, Samuel
Suydam, Charles Henry
Sykes, Charles Erastus
Taylor, George McClellan
Taylor, John Brinkworth
Thierbach, Charles Frederick
Thierbach, Louis Michael
Thomas, Harry Walter
Thompson, George
Thompson, George Howard
Thompson, Henry
Tonningsen, John
Trebell, Thomas
Troutt, James Morris
Turpin, Andrew Walker
Twomey, James
Van Bergen, Henry
Vanderhurst, William
Vaughan, Hiram C.
Veen, Frank Joseph
Von Staden, George
Von Wefelsburg, Alexander B.
Walker, Robert Andrew
Walter, Henry Franklin
Weidman, George Elias
Warwick, James Blain
Welch, Willard Choate, Jr.
Wendell, Clarence Theodore
Westphal, Otto Francis
Wetherbee, Charles
Wheaton. Milton Alverd
Whitcomb, Frank Randolph
Whitely, Henry Mallard
Whitman, Victor
Williams, George Henry
Williams, Harry Alston
Willman, Alexander
Wilson, Charles Harold
Wilson, William Archibald
Wisnom, John
Wolf, Simon
Woodbury, Warren Dean
Woodside, Alexander
Young, James
Young, Shirley Trever—332

WITHDRAWN.

Hathorn, Ralph La Forest
Ladd, Frank Bacon
Shanks, Frederick Hemsley
Stockfleth, John
Mills, Wm. Lucas Bisset—5

EXCLUDED.

Hare, Elias C.
Price, Thomas—2

EXPELLED.

Grover, William Silver—1

DIED.

Kyle, Thomas
Barclay, Robert Henry
Code, Philip D.
Giles, Frederick N.
Horton, Thomas Rotch
Logan, Milburn Hill
Peacock, William
Sabin, John Ira—8

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	5
		Excluded	2
		Expelled	1
On roll per last report	320	Died	8
Greeted	31—351	Now borne upon the roll	335—351

NOTE.—The records of California Council were entirely destroyed April 18th. The foregoing is a list of the membership to June 1, 1906, as complete as possible under the circumstances. We will endeavor to correct any errors or omissions in our next annual report.

MARYSVILLE COUNCIL, No. 3.

MARYSVILLE, YUBA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Joseph Durfee, *T. I. M.*
Peter Engel, *D. I. M.*
Charles E. Stone, *P. C. W.*
Solomon Lewek, *Treasurer*
James Fred Eastman, *Recorder*
Albert Julius Menz, *C. of Guard*
John George MacLellan, *Conductor*
Isaac Gabelle Cohn, *Steward*
Amos Fisher, *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles E. Stone
Atkins Clark Bingham
Meyer A. Marcuse
Charles Milton Patterson
Lemuel Trescott Crane
Frank B. Miller
Alexander Cameron Irwin

SELECT MASTERS.

Ayer, Leonard Barnard
Belcher, Richard
Berry, James McConnell
Boyd, John Duncan
Brockman, John Henry
Buttelman, Frederick William
Boorman, Barnard Ross
Carpenter, George Washington
Ellis, William Turner
Ewell, Samuel
Gribner, George Thomas
Griffith, Irwin
Hauss, Ferdinand
Hochstadter, Simon
Hopkins, Allen Bruscup
Hutchins, Gavin Walker
Krause, Frederick Low
Mould, William
Peacock, William Flint
Peck, William Francis

Price, Charles John
Sanborn, Miles Edward
Schuler, Conrad
Sieber, Henry Frederick
Skinner, Randolph Whitney
Slingsby, William
Stafford, William Henry—42

DIED.

Lowery, William Andrew—1

RECAPITULATION.

		Died	1
On roll per last report...	43	Now borne upon the roll.	42— 43

SONORA COUNCIL, No. 5.

SONORA, TUOLUMNE COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS.

William Lyman Hood, *T. I. M.*
Thomas Henry Slator, *D. I. M.*
Frank Albert Morgan, *P. C. W.*
Thomas Arthur Stiles Hender, *Treasurer*
William Edwin Burden, *Recorder*
Charles Henry Burden, *C. of Guard*
Alonzo Colby, *Conductor*
James Henriksen, *Steward*
Abraham Barlow, *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Eduard Keil, *P. G. M.*
Frank Wilson Street
Crittenden Hampton
William Lyman Hood

SELECT MASTERS.

Adair, Charles Francis
Allgewahr, George
Allgewahr, Louis
Arendt, Michael
Ball, Cary
Barton, Eugene Hamilton
Batten, John Henry
Beedle, Frederick Charles
Belli, Cæsar Arthur
Belloni, Mark John Baptist
Blood, Harvey Spaulding
Carmichael, Neil
Clough, Frederick Warren
Coffill, Harris James
Cooley, John
Cramer, Herman, Jr.
Driver, David Bakie
Eastman, William White
Eslick, Charles
Emery, William Ethalbert
Engstrom, Charles Otto
Evans, Job Montgomery
Fontana, Charles Domenick
Flanders, Harry S.
Fletcher, Albert Carolan
Fraser, Gregor Grant

Garland, Warren Nathaniel
Gould, Elisha Tolman
Graebe, Alfred Eugene
Godfrey, Charles Homens
Howell, Harry John
Johns, Henry
Johns, Samuel Joseph
Johnson, Peter
Kennedy, Charles Thomas
Knudsen, Nils Ladefoged
Koch, William Alexander
Lagomarsino, James
Lane, Tom Travis
Langford, James Terry
Linsley, Carlos Shelton
Littlefield, John Franklin
Loring, William Joseph
Madson, Arthur Gustav
Manuel, Mathew Henry
McLaren, Duncan Allen
Miller, John Jacob
Miller, Valentine William
Morgan, George Philip
Morgans, Morgan Philip
Morrow, George Washington
Nickerson, Ralph Byron
Nichols, Elmer Lincoln
Nicol, George Woodburn
Nuner, Charles Glover
Nuner, William Marble, Jr.
O'Connell, Charles Augustus
O'Connell, John Henry
Oliver, Dew Roger
O'Brien, James Timothy
Paulsen, Hans Christian
Poe, Adam W.
Potts, Warren Charles
Preston, Howard Alvin
Raggio, Joseph
Rainville, Alfred Hercules
Ratz, Frederick Henry
Roberts, David E.
Rose, Warren
Sharwood, William
Scott, William Richard
Shine, John Henry
Smullen, Joseph Milton
Stratton, Daniel Edgar
Street, Charles Edward
Stuckey, Simon Filmore
Suess, Ignatz
Thompson, James Thomas
Thow, George
Tulloch, Charles Thomas
Vial, John
Wells, Frank Clinton
Wells, Thomas Washington
Wiemer, William
Williams, Dan Edwin
Witney, John Lorin
Wonderley, John Martin—99

DIED.

Long, Wilbur
Yossi, John Frederick—2

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report...	93	Died	2
Greeted	8—101	Now borne upon the roll.	99—101

SHASTA COUNCIL, No. 6.

REDDING, SHASTA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Albert Frederick Ross, *T. I. M.*
Edward Sweeny, *D. I. M.*
John William Garden, *P. C. W.*
Charles Jacobson, *Treasurer*
Adolph Bystle, *Recorder*
Aldis I. Ashcraft, *C. of Guard*
John E. Hoyle, *Conductor*
William Gillispie, *Steward*
Francis Xavier Labonte, *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Albert Frederick Ross

SELECT MASTERS.

Andrews, William
Beard, John Samuel
Boswell, William Alexander
Brown, Ancil Lycurgus
Cahoone. William Brower
Fish, William Andrew
Gardner, Elias Delevan
Garrabrant, Frank H.
Hansen, James Dudley
Hawkins, Divine Zacharias
Hunt, William Broderick
Hoyle, Reuben
Hurst, Ferdinand
Lambson, Giles Hamman
Lowden, William Spencer
McCoy, Leo Lewis
McCrum, Benjamin
Murphy, Sylvanus Everet
Overmeyer, Charles Edwin
Prim, Franklin Pierce
Reynolds, John Edwards
Richardson, James Lee
Rosland, Oscar O.
Rowles, James
Satterlee, Franklin Peck
Scranton, Jewett
Stephenson, John Nicholas
Strode, John Sale
Strode, George Crone
Teass, James Chester
Weil, Joseph—40

DIED.

Mehon, Morris
Nichols, James Levin
Schroter, Gunther F. C.
Smith, Champion W.—4

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report... 44
Died 4
Now borne upon the roll. 40— 44

HELENA COUNCIL, No. 9.

HELENA, MONTANA.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Joseph J. Hindson, *T. I. M.*
James F. McNamee, *D. I. M.*
Francis Doremus Jones, *P. C. W.*
Michael Reinig, *Treasurer*
George Booker, *Recorder*
David W. Middlemas, *C. of Guard*
Cornelius Hedges, Jr., *Conductor*
Starratt J. Burgess, *Steward*
Henry Cowden, *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Cornelius Hedges, Sr.
Henry M. Parchen

SELECT MASTERS.

Arvidson, Axel
Bennett, William G.
Cater, Charles S.
Cook, Andrew B.
Cummings, Patrick W.
Day, Edward Cason
Easterly, Allen M.
Featherman, James Benjamin
Featherman, John A.
Garrett, Clarence B.
Gunderson, Hans
Hepner, H. Solomon
Henry, Daniel B.
Holter, Anton M.
Holter, Martin M.
Jones, Louis L.
Kleinschmidt, Theodore H.
Lockey, Richard, Sr.
Lombard, Halsey W.
Nolan, Cornelius B.
Palmer, Aleck L.
Parchen, Albert D'acheul
Robinson, Jeremiah
Schwab, Samuel
Sederburg, Albert W.
Sommers, Henry
Stewart, William Wallace
Strong, Harry
Switzer, Jacob
Tatem, Benjamin Hutchison
Walker, Jacob Longacre
Wood, George R.
Wommelsdorf, Emil—44

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Kirkendall, Thomas B.
McCann, William H.
Turton, John B.—3

DIED.

Frederick, Walter E.—1

RECAPITULATION.

		Suspended N. P. D.....	3
On roll per last report...	45	Died	1
Greeted	3— 48	Now borne upon the roll.	44— 48

STOCKTON COUNCIL, No. 10.

STOCKTON, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Charles Willis Norton, *T. I. M.*
George Alexander McKenzie, *D. I. M., P. G. M.*
Durrett Oliver Castle, *P. C. W.*
Edward Richards Hedges, *Treasurer*
Arthur Morgan Noble, *Recorder*
Henry Ephraim Robbins, *C. of Guard*
Charles Campbell Adams, *Conductor*
Flavel Gaylord Hickox, *Steward*
Edgar Warren Butters, *Organist*
Charles Edward Howe, *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Abraham Davies, *P. G. M.*
Edward Richards Hedges, *P. G. M.*
Alexander Chalmers
Charles Willis Norton

SELECT MASTERS.

Bennett, Paul Wetherly
Blodgett, John Millard
Brown, George Albert, Jr.
Browne, Philip Thomas
Briscoe, Henry Ferguson
Bradford, George Hosack
Bessac, Henry William
Barnett, Henry Adison
Caine, John
Catts, George Elbert
Claiborne, Gilbert Burnet
Clark, Fred Pope
Cobb, Frank Dyckman
Cross, Samuel Nelson
Cowper-Thwaite, Edward
Crump, John Edward
Case, Carlton Cooledge
Dalby, Samuel Price
Dickinson, Frank
Fitzgerald, William Wesley
Fraser, Philip Barry
Friedberger, Arnold
Friedberger, Leo
Finnell, Michael
Farnsworth, Clovis Alonzo
Garwood, John
Gershbacher, Joshua Barre
Grunsky, Eugene Moritz
Hadcock, David
Henderson, Milton Pierce
Henderson, Orrin Staples
Jory, John
Kennedy, Charles Hallie
Keyes, Henry Calcutt
Kincaid, Fred Llewellyn
Krog, Peter Christian
Keniston, Charles Morrill
Lane, Frank Ellis
Langford, George William
Latta, Samuel Eikenbarry
Lorenz, William Henry
Mallett, Albert
McLeod, John H.
Miller, John Henry
Muenter, August Edward
Meyers, Fred Ollin
McNoble, George Francis
Meyers, Herman Carson
Maschek, Charles Hermann
Peart, Luke W.

Peterson, Richard Letcher
Powell, Barton Jerome
Phipps, William Grant
Rhodes, William Henry Harrison
Robinson, Isaac Henry
Rolerson, Benjamin Franklin
Russell, Richard William
Roe, Joseph William
Schlichtman, Claus
Seeley, John Whitney
Sink, Reuben Henry
Smith, William Treat
Snow, William
Stone, William Henry
Swain, Joseph Henry
Steinbeck, Wilhelm Peter
Smith, James Webb
Stewart, Edward Clement
Sibley, Walter Frank
Smith, Frank Hartford
Thompson, Edward Reese
Tindell, Pleasant Hay
Tatterson, George Watson
Tatterson, Arthur Potter
Yardley, John—87

WITHDRAWN.

Calhoun, Salton Frederick—1

DIED.

Harrison, William Bruce
Robertson, Peter Sterling—2

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
On roll per last report	83	Died	2
Greeted	7— 90	Now borne upon the roll	87— 90

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL, No. 11.

LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

William Edwin Chamberlain, *T. I. M.*
Charles Sherman Anderson, *D. I. M.*
Dana Reid Weller, *P. C. W.*
Walter Clements Durgin, *Treasurer*
Caleb Amos Yarnell, *Recorder*
Edward Byron Spencer, *C. of Guard*
Samuel Edgerton Burke, *Conductor*
Earl Walter Mueller, *Steward*
William Hutchinson Henderson, *Organist*
Edward Hall Miller, *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Henry Sayre Orme, *P. G. M*
Granville Quincy Stewart
Robert Gilmore Cunningham
August Wackerbarth, *P. G. M.*
William Byron Scarborough, *P. G. M.*
David Monroe Sutherland, *P. G. M.*
John Francis Hughes
Willis Milnor Dixon
Warren Edward Rowley
William Henry Gaynor

SELECT MASTERS.

Abbott, Adelbert Starr
Adams, Horace Bishop
Adcock, Robert James
Alexander, Chas. Ambrose
Amlin, John L.
Anderson, John Francis
Armstrong, George
Arnold, William Ralph
Arnoldt, Herman
Avery, Hilbert King
Aylsworth, George Webb
Bacon, George
Bagby, Edwin Hanson
Bagley, Charles Leland
Bailey, John T.
Bailey, Ralph Waldo
Baker, Charles Edwin
Balch, Allen Christopher
Baldwin, Cornelius Vanoy
Barrow, Thomas Martin
Barto, Fred Oliver
Baxter, Samuel Cashier
Bean, John Hill
Beattie, Robert Fountain
Beckett, Wesley Wilbur
Beer, James Clark
Belcher, Harry Arthur
Benbrook, Charles Mallard
Berg, Christian Gottlieb
Berger, Andrew S.
Bernard, Gustav Adolph George
Berner, John Bismarck
Bicknell, John Dustin
Biescar, Henry
Bille, Marsello
Billington, Theophilus
Blackmer, Eli Tucker
Blackstone, Henry Winthrop
Blades, Paul Harcourt
Bliesner, William John
Boswell, Frank Moore
Bourne, John Franklin
Bowen, John Wesley
Bradbeer, James H.
Bradford, Charles Raymond
Bradish, Avery Jackson
Branch, John Franklin
Brauer, Adolph Karl
Braun, Henry
Bresee, Melvin Arthur
Bresee, Phineas Wright
Brill, William
Brink, John Edward
Brode, Alexander Charles
Brode, Walter Charles
Brookman, Arthur
Brooks, Frank Handy
Brown, Charles Milton
Brown, John Alexander
Brown, Walter Elbridge
Browning, Charles Clifton
Bryson, Frank
Bryson, George Washington
Buchanan, James Alexander
Buffum, Frank
Bulla, Robert Nelson
Burgwald, Hugo Mathias
Burkhardt, Adolph
Burns, Orin L.
Burns, Robert Wallace
Burr, Charles Martin
Burr, John

Campbell, Alfred Quincy
Campbell, John Mis
Cannon, John Stevens
Carlson, Carl Otto
Carr, Joseph Elmer
Caswell, William Mitchell
Catey, Stacey Francis
Cave, Daniel
Chase, Lucius Kurtz
Clark, Herbert Hamilton
Cline, William
Coate, Henry R.
Cobb, Edward Sigourney
Coe, Edmund Wallace
Cohn, Albert
Cohn, Elias
Colbert, Patrick
Connett, Harry
Conradi, Simon
Cook, George Washington
Cooksey, Job Emit
Coombes, Willard E.
Conrey, Nathaniel Parrish
Collins, Burton Vincent
Copp, Andrew James, Jr.
Cornes, Frank Jay
Cox, Robert Lee
Crawford, James Seth
Cribb, John Caborn
Cunningham, Frank R.
Cunningham, John Calvin

Daniels, Albert Julius
Davis, Harvey
Dawson, John Bennett
Day, John Pinkney
Dewey, James Henry
Dick, James William
Dill, Robbie Everett
D'llingham, Frank Stinson
Donnell, John Alexander
Doyle, John Hunt
Drew, Arthur Linford
Drought, Robert
Duffie, John Jefferson
Duffill, Harry
Dunham, James Elias
Dunsmoor, Cylos Taylor
Dunsmoor, John Marcus
Dutcher, Claude Elmer

Eager, Charles Lucius
Eason, Charles Horace
Eckstrom, Albert Axel
Ehlers, Peter William
Eichelberger, Harry Martin
Elliott, Elmer Ellsworth
Eldridge, Septimus Tustin
Ellis, Henry Bertrand
Ennis, Charles Wesley
Everhardy, Mathew Wm.

Fairchild, John Anthony
Faust, Willis, Jr.
Ferbert, John C.
Ferris, Horace Bayles
Field, Benjamin Franklin
Fiscus, Joseph
Fish, Charles Winthrop
Fish, William Campbell
Fisher, Donnell George
Fitch, George Atkins
Flint, Frank Putnam
Flint, Motley Hewes
Folsom, Niles Rathbone
Fordham, Milton Cephas
Foshay, James A.
Fraisher, Robert Love
Francis, Ira Johnson
Fraser, Leonidas Polk

Garthside, Joseph Relton
Gehrkens, William Henry
Gibson, Leo La Forest
Gillis, Robert Cowan
Glass, Clement Studebaker
Glass, Henry
Goehring, John George
Gordon, Frank Henry
Gotthelf, David
Granicher, Oswald
Greene, Emery Taylor
Greppin, Ernest Henry
Grubb, Oscar Edwin

Guthrie, Finis William
Hale, Frank Seraph
Hamburger, Moses Asher
Hamilton, Harley Erastus
Hammond, Wm. T. Sherman
Hanselman, John Wesley
Harper, Arthur Cyprian
Harris, Murray McCheyenne
Harrison, William Henry
Hart, Alexander Hamilton
Hart, Dwight Howard
Hart, Frank John
Hart, George Alandson
Haskell, John Condit
Hauser, Edward Charles
Hauser, Lewis August
Haydock, Clarence
Heartt, Burton Elmer
Heartt, Charles Lawrence
Henderson, Andrew
Henderson, John Blanchard
Henderson, Wm. Alexander
Henry, James Wheaton
Henshey, Benjamin Botsford
Herr, George Frederick
Herron, Fred Irvine
Herron, Rufus Hills
Hervey, William Rhodes
Hiatt, William Macy
Hines, Fred Amos
Hoagland, Robert Stout
Holcombe, Arthur Lovell
Holland, Lauren Thomas
Hollingsworth, Wm. Irving
Hollis, George Henry
Homeyer, Albert Von
Houselibe, William John
Howard, Perry Alonzo
Hubbard, William Lewis
Humphreys, William Morgan
Hussey, William Clark

Iftiger, Hugo Julius

Jacobi, Louis
Jarrett, Benjamin Samuel
Jeffries, John Henry
Jeffries, William Parish
Jeffries, William Thomas
Jenkins, John Joseph
Jensen, Henry Christian
Jepsen, Jacob
Johnson, William M.
Jones, John Taylor
Jones, Mark G.
Jordan, Franklin

Keller, Will Edward
Kennedy, Lewis H.
Kieth, George Frank
Kingsbury, Homer P. D.
Kingsbury, William S.
Kingsley, John Amos
Kinney, Arthur Wilson
Kirkland, Derwentwater
Kitchen, John Franklin
Knickerbocker, Niles
Koerting, Oscar Paul
Koll, August Juergen
Koyer, Arthur Sheppard
Krempel, John Paul
Krohn, Henry George
Kyte, George Irvin

Lamb, Stacy Caldwell
Lander, Benjamin Stewart
Lang, Fred Selwyn
Latsch, Theo. Martin
Ledgerwood, William Hendricks
Leix, Frederick
Levy, Michael
Lewis, Edward William
Lewis, James Clinton
Lloyd, Charles
Logan, George Burkett
Long, James William
Louis, Emanuel J.
Lovell, Lawrence Archer
Lovett, William Watson
Luckenback, John

Mack, Patrick Henry
Mackey, George Grant
Magee, Robert
Maier, Simon

Malone, Augustine Charles
Marden, Leo Wallace
Mart, Charles
Martin, Julius Herbert
Martindale, Walter M.
Masters, John Henry
Masters, Robert Emmett
Matheson, John Luther
Mayo, Harmon Jeff
McAllister, Frank Allister
McAllister, James Pinkerton
McCarty, Walter George
McClurkin, Wm. John
McCollough, Alex M. F.
McComas, Charles
McCoy, David Allen
McCray, Morris Lynn
McGaffin, Albert Henry
McGarvin, Donne Clio
McLeod, John A.
Mead, Charles Abiel
Mead, William Howard
Mears, Charles Franklin
Medwina, John Blancarte
Melczer, Joseph
Mercer, Preston R.
Merrill, Joseph Lane
Merwin, Andrew Homer
Meserve, Edwin Alvin
Meserve, Frank Pierce
Miller, Edmund Alex.
Miller, Robert Warren
Mitchell, Charles Edward
Moore, Elmer Ellsworth
Moore, Thomas Edward
Morgan, Oscar Crellin
Morgan, William Brazelton
Morrill, Mattson Annis
Morrison, Wm. Edward Domville
Morton, John Jay
Mott, Albert Clark
Mueller, Oscar Charles
Murphy, Claire Warren
Murphy, Joseph Lannes
Murray, Alexander Wilson
Murray, John Emmett
Mussey, Nathaniel Dickson
Myrick, Nathaniel Willis
Nagel, George Edward
Nevins, Leon Wesley
Nicholls, Andrew
Nightingale, John Henry
Noble, Wm. C. Hayes
Odenthal, Hubert
Off, John William Arnold
Owen, Frank Dale
Owens, Madison Townsend
Pallette, Edward M.
Parker, Francis Marion
Patterson, Charles Edgar
Patillo, James Nelson
Paul, John Rink
Pease, Edward William
Pease, Niles
Pease, Sherman
Peck, Daniel Gauger
Peel, Theo. Leo
Peipers, Paul Clarence
Pendell, Charles Elisha
Perry, John Sergent
Pettebone, Henry Wells
Pfaffinger, Frank Xavier
Pierce, Clarence W.
Pierce, Darwin Wilson
Pierce, Fred Eugene
Pillsbury, George Eber
Poundstone, Jacob
Powers, Edward Everett
Preston, Jasper Newton
Pullman, Carl
Raze, Arthur Eldridge
Rebman, John
Rees, Bert
Reid, James Arthur
Renfro, Alva D.
Rhodes, Allin Lee
Rice, Robert Lincoln
Rideout, William Andrew
Riggle, Elmer Willis
Rising, Franklin Edward

Rockwell, Lorenzo Anson
Rodenhouse, Harry Edward
Roeder, Henry
Rogers, Albert Clark
Rogers, Read Wyman
Rohrer, John Bonewitz
Ross, Frederick William
Routzahn, Willis Harsey
Rule, Ferd Kennett
Ruskamp, Chas. D.

Salisbury, Samuel Scott
Scheerer, Conrad
Schmidt, Ferd Wilhelm Theodore
Schneider, George Henry
Schoder, Howard J.
Schrieber, William George
Schwaebe, Lewis Henry
Sebastian, Charles Edward
Selph, Edgar Eugene
Sexton, Charles Wesley
Shannon, Wm. Alexander
Shelton, Harry Ashton
Sherer, Robert
Sherman, Moses Hazeltine
Shoemaker, Fred Wilcox
Simms, John H.
Simmons, Vinton Delos
Sinsabaugh, Simpson McCollough
Skinner, Alden W.
Slater, Joseph Karl
Small, Richard Ellsworth
Smalley, John Newton
Smart, George Joseph
Smith, Benjamin N.
Smith, Benjamin Nathaniel, Jr.
Smith, Everett Russell
Smith, Horace Osbun
Smith, Joseph Augustus
Smith, Melvin David
Smith, William Albert
Snow, Harry L.
Snowden, Joshua Hazelrigg
Snyder, Meredith Pinxton
Spaulding, Frank Leverett
Specht, Joseph Christian
Spence, William Glenn
Spencer, Isom Lindsay
Spinks, Wallace Humphrey
Stagg, Edward Houts
Stansbury, Charles
Starbuck, Henry Fletcher
Starr, Joseph Lee
Stephens, William Dennison
Stewart, Albert Inlus
Stewart, George Hadley
Stoll, George Henry
Storrow, Samuel
Strassburg, Edward
Streicher, Michael
Strohm, Thomas
Sweet, Otto

Tanner, Wilson Gustin
Taylor, Harry Holland
Teagle, Leander Allen
Tenbrook, George Henry
Thayer, Joseph Harriot
Thompson, Chas. Wesley, Jr.
Thompson, Chester Weaver
Thompson, J. Scott Vance De C.
Thompson, Robert Mossman
Thompson, William Edward
Tower, Harry Dooley
Train, Robert Farquhar
Trobec, John August
Tuttle, Victor Hugo

Urmston, John Kreck

Valiant, George Francis
Valentine, Edward Sharp
Valentine, Wm. Lucas
Vandervort, James
Van Doren, John Suydam
Van Nuys, Isaac Newton
Vawter, Edwin James
Vetter, Louis Fisher
Vignolo, Ambrogio
Vogel, Herman Oscar
Volkman, Martin Frederick

Wade, Robert David
Walker, Daniel Henry
Wankowski, Robert

Ward, Ben E.
Ward, Perl Adelbert
Ward, William Henry
Wardell, Ralph Hewitt
Weber, John
Webster, James William
Weidner, Peter
Welch, William Ormond
Werdin, Ernest Rudolph
Westcott, Otis Horton
West, George Miller
West, Henry Hebard
Wetterauer, Andrew Peter
Wheeler, Emanuel Randolph
Wheeler, Horace Marcellus
White, William
White, William Addison
Whiting, Perry
Whitman, William Colfax
Whitney Grant Ulysses
Williams Herbert George
Williams, William Henry
Willis, Frank Rominar
Wohlfarth, August
Wood, Charles Modini
Woodbury, Edward
Wreden, Carl Von
Yost, Charles
Young, John William
Youngworth, Leo Valtus
Zaiser, Lewis G.—483

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Drain, John Hamilton
Habel, George Henry
Howe, Edward Tucker
Howry, Charles DeForest—4

DIED.

Bosbyshell, William
McFie, William Thomas
Variel, Robert Henry Fauntleroy
—3

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..435
Greeted ..... 55—490
Suspended N. P. D..... 4
Died 3
Now borne upon the roll.483—490

OAKLAND COUNCIL, No. 12.

OAKLAND, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, fifth Thursday of months having five Thursdays.

OFFICERS.

Fred Duane Voorhees, *T. I. M.*
Charles Frank Thomas, *D. I. M.*
Edward Harrison Morgan, *P. C. W.*
James Bestor Merritt, *Treasurer.*
George Henry Smith, *Recorder.*
John A. Sansom, *Capt. of Guard.*
Walter Alexander Gompertz, *Con.*
Edward C. Prindle, *Steward.*
Robert Griffith Evans, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James Bestor Merritt, *P. G. M.*
W. Frank Pierce, *P. G. M.*
Edward Harrison Morgan
Webb Nicholson Pearce
Edwin Allen Sherman
Eugene Carmeny
Edward Constant Robinson
William Clay Smith
Robert Edgar
Amasa Wright Bishop
Augustus Lewis Ott
Damien Edmont Fortin
Albert H. Merritt, *P. G. M.*
John Alexander Britton
George Henry Smith
Charles Herbert Wever
George Washington Baxley
Frank Reeves Woolsey

SELECT MASTERS.

Allen, Chas. Hamilton
Allyn, George Spencer
Austin, George William
Austin, Harry
Avery, Mark Herbert
Bacon, Gilman William
Badger, Thomas Norman
Bahls, Richard
Baker, Alvin W.
Barry, William
Beckwith, John A.
Bell, Harmon
Benton, Julian Juriah
Beretta, Italo A.
Bergsten, Oscar Paulus
Bice, John
Bilger, Frank William
Blohm, Charles Henry
Borton, Chester Cooper
Breed, Arthur Hastings
Brown, Lewis Henry
Browne, Harry Rosekrans
Brunner, Henry Ernest
Bull, Barizillai P.
Bullock, Richard Steele
Burrell, Alfred William
Burt, Frederick Leslie
Buteau, Samuel Hall
Button, Fred Lawrence
Cahill, Patrick
Carman, Frank Vanvy
Carpenter, Arthur Eugene
Cary, Albert B.
Clark, William Amir
Clawiter, Edward Henry
Cohen, Abraham S.
Cole, James Cairns
Cook, Frank Bigelow
Corder, Arthur Elmer
Corwin, Lewis Thornton
Cowell, Charles Herbert
Cozzens, Arthur Eugene
Crellin, Thomas Arthur
Crooks, John Chisholm
Crossman, William Thomas
Cushing, Frank Worthy
Dailey, William Curtis
Dakin, Frederick Holroyd
Dallam, Fred Boothby
Dallerup, John
Dalton, Henry Philip
Davis, Judson Milton
Davis, Lucien Dwight
Degan, Ludolph Philip
DeGolia, George Ellis
De La Montanya, Harry Orton
Dibert, Wayne Clay
Doane, Raymond Orrin
Dondero, Aurelio Geo.
Douglass, Charles Henry
Dubbs, Willis Snowden
Dudley, William Moses
Earl, Guy Chaffee
Edward, Ambrose Frederick
Emerson, Harry Wylie
Emigh, Thomas Powell

Evans, Charles
Ferrier, Francis
Finley, Dozier
Fisher, George Cresse
Flood, Alfred James
Foster, John Charles
Foster, Newell Kelley
French, Robert Ellsworth
Fulton, William

Gibson, Charles Luke
Gilbert, Ethan Allen
Glasscock, Alpha Hayden
Glines, Herbert Atherton
Graham, Robert Grant
Granger, Farley Benjamin
Grau, Edward Arnold
Gray, Roscoe Spaulding
Greig, Robert
Gregory, Calvin Levi
Gunn, Adam Francis

Hahn, Henry Casper
Handy, Brayton Everington
Hansen, Albert Lauritz
Hansen, Peter Christian
Harper, Fred Fogg Gale
Harrigan, John Wm.
Havard, Richard Daniel
Hawes, Benjamin Cowell
Hayes, Daniel Edward
Heeseman, Charles J.
Hellwig, George Peter
Hewes, Charles Leslie
Hill, Otis
Hodge, Thomas
Holmgren, John Alexander
Hopper, John Frederick E.
Horner, Charles F.
Howland, Eli
Hughes, Edward Floyd
Hume, William Robert
Hunt, Charles Melville

Jackson, Alton Cass
James, Edward Harrison
Johnson, Christian Ole
Johnson, Harry Hubbard
Jones, Algernon Sydney

Kales, Martin William
Keiser, Chris
Kelsey, John Edson
Kempkey, Augustus F. K.
Kendall, Alpheus
Knowland, Joseph
Knowland, Joseph Alexander
Kolz, Robert A. F.
Koser, Newton Alexander

Loch, Frederick William
Logan, Walter Edward
Long, Charles Stuart
Lord, Carlos Reuben
Loring, Ernest Linwood
Love, Charles Allen
Love, Thomas
Loy, William Edward

Magill, Arthur Edward
MacLafferty, Charles P.
Makins, Joseph Henry
Manuel, Walter Griswold
Marlin, Henry B.
Martin, Daniel Wilkins
Martin, John
Mauzy, Byron
May, Henry
McClymonds, John William
McKeen, Albert Atwater
McLaughlin, Charles Weldy
McNulty, Harry James
Meek, Harry Wert
Meek, Rudolph Wallace
Meek, William Ellsworth
Meese, Constant
Meredith, James Washington
Merrill, Clarence Sydney
Metcalf, George Dickson
Metcalf, Solon Theres
Michaels, Henry
Mikkelsen, Christian
Miller, Charles Howard
Miller, Thomas Irving
Minor, Robert
Mitchell, Claud Hamilton

Mobley, Warren G.
Morris, Moses
Mott, Frank Kanning
Moulthrop, Carlton Francis
Moulthrop, Willey Howard
Murphy, James Joseph
Nash, Chester Bell
Niehaus, Edward Ernest
Nordman, Artilus Fordnand
Nordman, Peter
Nutting, Charles Wilber
O'Donnell, Francis Henry E.
Ohea, George Harvey
O'Neill, Peter J.
Ott, Charles Frederick
Overacker, Charles B.
Owen, Wm. Henry Searls
Parsons, Albert S.
Patterson, Albert Louis Crandall
Payne, George Henry
Phillips, John Waterman
Petherick, John Henry
Phillips, Henry Byron
Pierce, Charles Dexter
Piercy, Arthur Thomas
Platt, Samuel J.
Price, Wallace Covert
Prowse, Charles
Ragland, William Beverly
Ramage, Andrew
Randall, Charles Wells
Redington, Charles Henry
Reist, Jay Harry
Revalk, Richard Emil
Richardson, Friend William
Robins, Henry Russell
Robertson, Albert Atwater
Robertson, Daniel
Rodolph, Frank Bequette
Roeth, George
Rose, Burton James
Russell, Thomas Bartlett
Sanderlin, Charles Frederick
Sargeant, Edwin Lyman
Seller, John
Schindler, Henry Bernard
Schleuter, Edward C.
Schleuter, Herman F.
Schrock, Wm. A.
Schwartz, Henry
Scott, George Amos
Scott, John Walter
Slater, Urates Majer
Smilie, Alexander Innes
Smith, Kirby Bounty
Spreckels, Richard
Standeford, William Burt
Stromgren, Gustav Adolph
Strong, Milton Grosvener
Swain, Herschel Vespucian, Jr.
Tayler, James Howard
Thomas, Charles Edward
Thomas, Charles Goodwin
Thomas, George Henry
Thompson, Robert Crawford
Threlkeld, Melville Calvert
Tuttle, Hiram Sinclair
Walker, Percy John
Walsh, Edward Marion
Wanger, Gustav Adolf
Waste, William Harrison
Watson, Franklin Granville
Webster, Leander Rankin
Weilbye, Julius Lars
Weilbye, William Hansen
Werner, Edward Peter
Westlake, Leonard John
Weston, William Pomroy
Whipple, Edwin
Whitlatch, Daniel Harry
Wight, Frederick Gordon
Wilder, James Chase
Wilkes, Farrington
Wilkes, William E.
Williams, John
Winchell, Calvin S.
Wood, Herbert Anthony
Woodin, Eugene
Woolsey, Philip Sheridan
Wright, Cyrus Smith

Wyllie, Robert P.
Yablonsky, John
Young, Roy Jackson—273

RESTORED.

Stone, Louis Stanwood
Dallam, Fred Boothby—2

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Chesney, William James
Aiken, Ilo Rafael
Bates, Joseph Clement
Chalmers, George Fred
Cull, Frank Davenport
Graham, Francis Elmer
Hansen, Hans Peter
Huxley, Thomas Charles
Leach, Abraham Powell
Smith, Graham
Volmer, Rudolph
Whitmore, Welles
Williamson, Willard Forsyth—13

DIED.

Evers, John Henry
Friend, Roger Berry
McClain, John—3

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	263	Suspended N. P. D.	13
Greeted	24	Died	3
Restored	2—289	Now borne upon the roll	273—289

GATEWAY COUNCIL, No. 13.

AUBURN, PLACER COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Preston Washington Smith, *T. I. M.*
William Isaac May, *D. I. M.*
William Grant Lee, *P. C. W.*
Alfred Lovell Smith, *Treasurer*
David Wlademer Lubeck, *Recorder*
Alexander Kelley Robinson, *C. of Guard*
Charles Nelson Shane, *Conductor*
Michael David Lininger, *Steward*
Frederick Solon Stevens, *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Jacob Hart Neff, *P. G. M.*
John Gould Bisbee, *P. G. M.*
John Mathias Fulweiler
Preston Washington Smith

SELECT MASTERS.

Akers, Charles Duval
Allen, George Eugene
Anderson, Albert Wallace
Anderson, William Craig
Bell, Joseph Vincent
Birdsall, Ernest Stratton
Boller, George Carl
Bower, Harry Julius
Brown, Edward Doyl
Buchanan, Francis Jacques
Chamberlain, Newell Day
Chappellet, Felix, Jr.
Clement, Styles Kennedy
Coombs, William
Cowan, Gordon Robinson
Crowell, William Albert
Curtis, Henry Chittenden
Davis, Frederick Calvin
Delano, Ira Lemuel
Disque, Henry
Duggan, Charles Martin
Francis, Joseph Marie
Fulton, Jonathan
Gladding, Albert James
Haenny, John
Harris, George J.
Hohfeld, Edward
Jansen, Walter
Kendall, Edward John
Kilburn, Harry Alden
Lardner, William Bransen
Mardis, Benjamin Allen
Martin, Charles
McAninch, John
McAuley, George
McCracken, William James
Michael, Martin
Millard, George Ellis
Moore, John Thomas
Nelson, Charles Robert
Nicholls, William, Jr.
Pemberton, George Francis
Power, Harold Thomas
Powers, Amos Mathews
Roberts, William Robert
Rooney, Robert Fleming
Safford, John Coleman
Salzman, George Ernest
Smith, Benjamin Franklin
Sparks, William Martin
Stevens, Amos
Stevenson, Thomas
Treadwell, James Buchanan
Wallace, John
Woodard, John Carlton—67

WITHDRAWN.

Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette
Richardson, Jerome Bonaparte—2
(Greeted June 17, 1905.)

DIED.

Todd, Thomas Milton—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report...	59	Withdrawn	2
Greeted	11— 70	Died	1
		Now borne upon the roll.	67— 70

SANTA ANA COUNCIL, No. 14.

SANTA ANA, ORANGE COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Addison Crockett Bowers, *T. I. M.*
Leonard Frank Harvey, *D. I. M.*
Linn Lee Shaw, *P. C. W.*
Robert Francis Chilton, *Treasurer*
George Akerman Whidden, *Recorder*
Max Reinhaus, *C. of Guard*
Emanuel Henry Luxton, *Conductor*
George Pliny Hill, *Steward*
George Eddie Robinson, *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James William Towner
James Hedges Hall
James Dean Wilder
Edwin Dumont Buss

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, John Nelson
Balcom, Balys Greenwood
Ball, Charles Dexter
Beals, Albert
Bradford, Albert Sumner
Bundy, Milton John
Burke, Orin Harry
Clark, George Crook
Conn, Frederick
Cushman, Ruggles Allerton
Decker, Willet S.
Deyoe, Frederick Theodore
Diers, Henry
Donovan, Napoleon
Dryer, John Lewis
Faust, George Andrew Willis
Frampton, George Reed
Gamble, Austin Abram
Gildmacher, Joseph
Greeley, John Philip
Gregg, Walter Scott
Griffith, Geo. Whitfield, Jr.
Hannah, Charles William
Harding, Foster William
Hately, William
Hayward, John Saxon
Hill, Samuel
Holt, John
Honey, Edwin Alonzo
Huffman, Robert Lincoln
Hutt, James Hagar
Lane, Martin Luther
Lee, Eugene Tewksbury
Leithead, William Wilson
Lovett, Charles Edward
Lutz, William Frederick
Mason, William Bertle
McCarrie, Franklin
McDowell, John Colvin
McNeill, Christopher
McTaggart, Neil Godfrey
Medlock, James Randolph
Menges, Marion Albert
Miles, George Francis
Mills, Ira D.
Monaghan, Francis
Nichols, John Brown
Paine, Robert
Parker, Charles Edward
Peters, George Edwin
Potter, William Gibbons
Preble, George Edward

Reinhaus, Julius
Richardson, Erwin Ellsworth
Royer, Daniel Franklin
Scott, Walter Maxwell
Smith, Alan Fowler
Smith, Ezekiel Barnard
Staley, Arthur
Toothaker, George Dexter
Trago, Eli Brock
Trudo, Edward
Tyerman, Thomas Benton
Upham, Harry George
Waffle, Edwin Dwight
Wallace, Elmer S.
Wasser, Joseph Sylvester
Wassum, Howard Allen
Watson, Keller E.
Whitney, Mervin Newton
Wilkinson, Laurence Smith
Wood, William Bell
Woodford, Charles J—86

WITHDRAWN.

Fairbanks, Harlan—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report...	84	Withdrawn	1
Greeted	3— 87	Now borne upon the roll.	86— 87

VENTURA COUNCIL, No. 15.

VENTURA, VENTURA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

Richard Owen Robinson, *T. I. M.*
David Rhodes Denison, *D. I. M.*
George Cook, *P. C. W.*
John Stephenson Collins, *Treasurer*
David John Reese, *Recorder*
Frederick Wm. Baker, *C. of Guard*
Herbert Alvaro Giddings, *Conductor*
Robert Cowperthwaite Sudden, *Steward*
Truman Barrick Gosnell, *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Albert Perham Hardy
Frederick Wm. Baker
Willis Philip Lincoln

SELECT MASTERS.

Alves, John
Argabrite, Jacob Lewis
Blackstock, Nehemiah
Burson, Edward Wright
Burson, George Washington
Burson, Willis
Butcher, William Preston
Carr, Earl
Carr, Phelitus Sprague
Day, James Allen

Dodge, Edward Gardner
Ely, Martin Juda
Engstrom, Frans Otto
Goodyear, Wm. Ernest
Kauffman, Parke Wilfred
Kilson, George Elmer
Knight, Clarence Crosby
McGuire, William
Metcalf, Winfield Bradbury
Misa, Charles Henry
Neel, Henry Harrison
Ogg, Thomas Daniel
Power, George Coffin
Ready, William Edward
Rice, Thomas Alexander
Rowley, Charles Harvey
Starkweather, Geo. Albert
Taggart, James William
Taylor, Arthur Wilson
Thompson, Mark
Turner, William Henry
Wittenmyer, John Lewis—43

WITHDRAWN.

Ernsberger, Frank Armstrong—1

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
On roll per last report...	44	Now borne upon the roll.	43— 44

PASADENA COUNCIL, NO. 16.

PASADENA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Oscar Otto Freeman, *T. I. M.*
Benjamin Brooks Cartwright, *D. I. M.*
Jefferson Corvoso Fraser, *P. C. W.*
William Henry Vedder, *Treasurer*
William Bryant Edwards, *Recorder*
Elmer Charles Packard, *C. of Guards*
James Barr Hughes, *Conductor*
Edward Sisson Crump, *Steward*
George Rasmus Weaver, *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles Joseph Willett, *G. M.*
George Washington Skyrme
Oscar Otto Freeman

SELECT MASTERS.

Allen, Charles Emery
Allin, Thomas David
Ball, Benjamin Franklin
Bartlett, Louis Azell
Behlow, Robert Roscoe
Bonner, Lewis Henry
Buchanan, Charles Wesley
Campbell, James H.
Clark, James
Dawson, James Porter
Edwards, Albert Ernest
Edwards, Simon Josiah

Frary, Leander
Geohegan, Harry
Grimes, Charles
Hansen, Nels Peter
Hayes, Orrin Henry
May, Ernest Heath
McGregory, Wm. Whitney
Mercer, Albert
Nay, Edward Oscar
Parks, Ion Watson
Peaslee, John
Perrin, Leonard
Porter La Fayette Seward
Rhodes, Charles Hillyer
Richardson, Warren Josiah
Rossiter, John Gormley
Sherry, Henry
Shibley, William
Slavin, Matthew
Skillen, Charles Moses
Smith, John Martin
Smith, Wm. T. Sherman
Stanley, Charles Newton
Sutton, Charles Thomas
Williams, Robert Adams
Williams, Romayne—49

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report... 43
Greeted ..... 6— 49 Now borne upon the roll..... 49

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL, No. 17.

SANTA CRUZ, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday on or before Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

Thompson Wilson Drullard, *T. I. M.*
William Hugus Keck, *D. I. M.*
Thomas Guy McCreary, *P. C. W.*
John Parker Twist, *Treasurer*
Edward Swift West, *Recorder*
Benjamin Anthony Plant, *C. of Guard*
Mark Webster, *Conductor*
William Clarence Tooze, *Steward*
George Washington Wells. *Sentinel*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Thompson Wilson Drullard
Silas Foulk Hoops

SELECT MASTERS.

Aydelotte, Charles Leon
Bias, William Henry
Cox, Alison Alberti
Drennan, Ryland
Fifield, Daniel Black
Folsom, Cathers Drummond
Hall, Henry Dresher
Hapgood, Alfred Adams
Harrington, George Henry
Johnson, Walter Lloyd
Lorenzen, Lawrence
Loucks, Don Anderson
Mattison, Frank
Read, William Miles
Schroeder, John George
Severio, John

Staubes, Charles
Taylor, John Alexander
Trafton, Howard Valentine
Tucker, Perry Clark
Willey, Henry—31

DIED.

Truesdell, Stephen Wallace
Wise, Bernhard—2

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report...	28		
Greeted	4	Died	2
Affiliated	1— 33	Now borne upon the roll.	31— 33

FRESNO COUNCIL, No. 18.

FRESNO, FRESNO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Wiley James Tinnin, *T. I. M.*
——— ———, *D. I. M.*
Berry Madison Hague, *P. C. W.*
Brenton Jarvis Metzler, *Treasurer*
Ardie Lee Smith, *Recorder*
George W. Smith, *C. of Guard*
Joseph George Martin, *Conductor*
William Henry Puleston, *Steward*
——— ———, *Sentinel*

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, Gus Walter
Anderson, John Quincy
Barrett, Charles William
Burks, William Tilliman
Bernhard, Emil Frederick
Borchers, Herman Henry
Burnham, Floyd Stephen Kenny
Cearley, Charles Talant
Chaddock, Emory Gilbert
Cosgrave, George
Clark, Albert Bazzle
Everts, Olen Lee
Ely, Mills
Gray, William Alonzo
Graham, Edwin Reed
Hawkins, Henry Edwin
Hendrix, Jay Hendrix
Hoffman, John L.
Hogg, Victor Forest
Homan, Frank Andrew
Kittrell, William Joseph
Lisenby, Augustus Vespasian
Ludvigsen, Peter Erich
Hersey, Augustus Melville
McClurg, James Allen, Sr.
Miles, William Oscar
Monroe, George Hayes
Mootz, Herman Edwin
Munn, Charles Anderson
Munzer, Albert Luke
Noble, Jay Preston
Pierce, Charles Sheldon
Pedreira, Antonio Freitas
Riege, Charles Henry
Ralston, Elza Clark
Rudy, Henry Vernon

Shoemaker, Walter
Smith, Anson Burlingame
Shepherd, Benjamin Franklin
Sherman, Walter Nathan
Smith, Joseph Monoah
Shaver, Charles Bunn
Swift, Harvey Whalen
Thomas, Montgomery
Wahlberg, Arthur Gustave
Wishon, Albert Graves
Walter, Charles Lewis—54

WITHDRAWN.

Valentine, Edward Sharp—1

DIED.

Baker, Westwood James—1

RECAPITULATION.

Petitioners for dispensation	11	Withdrawn	1
Greeted	45— 56	Died	1
		Now borne upon the roll.	54— 56

LIST OF COUNCILS,

With a Summary of their Returns for the Year Ending January 31, 1906.

	NAME OF COUNCILS.	No. of Council.	Greeted.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Excluded.	Suspended N. P. D.	Suspended for unmasonic conduct.	Expelled.	Died.	Number of members.	DUES TO GRAND COUNCIL.
1	SACERAMNTO	1	7	1			1	2			8	225	$119.50
2	CALIFORNIA	2	18				2				4	332	184.00
3	MARYSVILLE	3									1	42	21.00
*	SIERRA NEVADA	4											
4	SONORA	5	8								2	99	57.50
5	SHASTA	6									4	40	20.00
*	VIRGINIA	7											
*	YREKA	8											
6	HELENA	9	3					3			1	44	25.00
7	STOCKTON	10	7			1					2	87	50.50
8	LOS ANGELES	11	55					4			3	483	296.50
9	OAKLAND	12	24		2			13			3	273	160.50
10	GATEWAY	13	11			2					1	67	44.50
11	SANTA ANA	14	3			1						86	44.50
12	VENTURA	15				1						43	21.50
13	PASADENA	16	6									49	30.50
14	SANTA CRUZ	17	4	1							2	31	19.50
15	FRESNO	18	45	‡11		1					1	54	72.00
	TOTALS		191	13	2	6	3	22			32	1955	$1,167.00

* Charter surrendered. ‡ Petitioners for dispensation. Gain, 143.

RECAPITULATION.

Number of Councils		18
Number of Councils working		15
Number of Councils making returns		15
Greeted during the year	191	
Affiliated	13	
Restored	2	
		206
Withdrawn	6	
Excluded for N. P. D. in Lodge or Chapter	3	
Suspended for non-payment of dues	22	
Died	32	
		63
Gain		143
Total membership January 31, 1906		1955

ADDRESS OF GRAND RECORDERS.

Alabama—George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery.
Arkansas—Fay Hempstead, Little Rock.
California—Thomas A. Davies, P. O. Box 163, Alameda.
Canada—J. Ross Robertson, 55 Kings St., W. Toronto.
Colorado—Ernest LeNeve Foster, Denver, Room 36, Masonic Temple.
Connecticut—James McCormick, Hartford, 150 State St.
England—C. F. Matier, Mark Mason's Hall, Great Q St., London, W.C.
Florida—Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville.
Georgia—W. A. Wolihin, Macon.
General Grand Council—Henry W. Mordhurst, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Illinois—Gil. W. Barnard, Masonic Temple, Chicago.
Indiana—Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis.
Indian Territory—Joseph S. Murrow, Atoka.
Iowa—Alf. Wingate, Des Moines.
Kansas—William M. Shaver, Topeka.
Kentucky—H. B. Grant, Louisville.
Louisiana—Richard Lambert, Masonic Temple, New Orleans.
Maine—Stephen Berry, Portland.
Maryland—James W. Bowers, Baltimore, 163 Lexington St.
Massachusetts—J. Gilman Waite, Masonic Temple, Boston.
Minnesota—Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul.
Michigan—Charles A. Conover, Coldwater.
Mississippi—Fred Speed, Vicksburg.
Missouri—Robert F. Stevenson, Lock Box 959, Masonic Temple, St. Louis.
New Hampshire—Frank D. Woodbury, Concord.
Nebraska—Francis E. White, 1608 Capitol Ave., Omaha.
New Jersey—John B. Bertholf, Jersey City, 76 Montgomery St.
New York—George H. Van Vliet, 16 Eighth Ave., New York City.
New Brunswick—Frank A. Godsoe, St. John.
North Carolina—James C. Munds, Wilmington.
Ohio—William E. Evans, Chillicothe.
Oregon—Seth L. Pope, Portland, P. O. Box 256.
Ontario—A. G. Horford, Toronto.
Pennsylvania—Frank W. Martenis, South Bethlehem.
Rhode Island—William R. Greene, Providence, Box 576.
Scotland—D. Murray Lyon, Edinburgh.
South Carolina—Zimmerman Davis, Charleston.
Tennessee—W. A. Clendening, Nashville.
Vermont—Henry H. Ross, Rutland.
Washington—Edward R. Hare, Tacoma.
Wisconsin—William W. Perry, Milwaukee.

Representatives of Other Grand Councils

Near the Grand Council of California.

Arkansas	W. Frank Pierce	Oakland.
Canada	George Alexander McKenzie	Stockton.
Colorado	Jacob H. Neff	San Francisco.
Connecticut	Frederick Ferdinand Barss	Placerville.
England and Wales	Amasa W. Bishop	Oakland.
Georgia	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles.
Illinois	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles.
Indiana	David M. Sutherland	Los Angeles.
Indian Territory	William Hewson Davis	Sacramento.
Iowa	Albert H. Merritt	Oakland.
Kansas	Henry Ascroft	San Francisco.
Kentucky		San Francisco.
Louisiana	Augustus Wackerbarth	Los Angeles.
Maine	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco.
Maritime Prov., N. B.	John A. Britton	Oakland.
Maryland		
Massachusetts	Franklin Henry Day	San Francisco.
Michigan	William Monroe Petrie	Sacramento.
Minnesota	John Gould Bisbee	Auburn.
Mississippi	Robert Ash	San Francisco.
Missouri	George Penlington	San Francisco.
Nebraska	James William Towner	Santa Ana.
New Hampshire	Edward Richards Hedges	Stockton.
New Jersey	John William Rock	Sacramento.
New York	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco.
North Carolina	John Francis Hughes	Los Angeles.
Ohio	James Hedges Hall	Santa Ana.
Oregon	Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt	Redwood City.
Pennsylvania	Edward Richards Hedges	Stockton.
Rhode Island		
South Carolina	James Bestor Merritt	Oakland.
Tennessee	Henry Sayre Orme	Los Angeles.
Vermont	William Abraham Davies	San Francisco.
Washington	David W. Lubeck	Auburn.
Wisconsin	James Dean Wilder	Tustin.

Representatives of the Grand Council of California

Near Other Grand Councils.

Arkansas	Gaylord J. Klock	Little Rock.
Canada	J. Ross Robertson	Toronto.
Colorado	Cromwell Tucker	Denver.
Connecticut	Alexander B. Shumway	Litchfield.
Georgia	Wm. A. Davis	Macon.
Illinois	John A. Ladd	Sterling.
Indiana	Orlando W. Brownback	Pendleton.
Indian Territory	Jabez H. Mann	McAlester, Choctaw Nation.
Iowa	W. H. Norris	Manchester.
Kansas	Robert E. Torrington	Wichita.
Kentucky	Wm. Rhodes Shackelford	Richmond.
Louisiana		
Maine	Millard F. Hicks	Portland.
Maryland	Albert Benedict Lyman	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	Edward M. Woodward	Boston.
Michigan	Bayard A. Church	St. Louis.
Minnesota	James C. Hawes	Red Wing.
Mississippi	A. A. Posey	Aberdeen.
Missouri	Wm. R. Stubblefield	St. Louis.
Nebraska	G. W. Lininger	Omaha.
New Hampshire	John F. Maynard	Ashland.
New Jersey	John M. Knapp	Ridgewood.
New York	Theodore M. Barber	Syracuse.
North Carolina	W. F. Randolph	Asheville.
Ohio	Arthur P. Crane	Toledo.
Oregon	Seth L. Pope	Portland.
Pennsylvania	Reuben E. Taft	Titusville.
Rhode Island	Robert S. Franklin	Newport.
South Carolina	J. E. McDonald	Winnsboro.
Tennessee	C. H. Smart	1516 Laurel St., Nashville
Vermont	George W. Wing	Montpelier.
Washington	W. S. Fairweather	Tacoma.
Wisconsin	William N. Pennell	Milwaukee.

GRAND OFFICERS

ELECTED SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND COUNCIL, JUNE 26, A. DEP. 2860.

1860.

*Isaac Davis .....*Grand Master.*
*William Caldwell Belcher....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Adolphus Hollub .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*James Lawrence English.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1861.

*William Caldwell Belcher....*Grand Master.*
*Adolphus Hollub .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*James Lawrence English.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*
*Isaac Sutvene Titus.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1862.

*Adolphus Hollub .....*Grand Master.*
*Isaac Sutvene Titus.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Abraham Davies.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*John Ashby Tutt.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1863.

*Isaac Sutvene Titus.....*Grand Master.*
William Abraham Davies.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Anderson Seavy .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Charles L. Danielson.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1864.

William Abraham Davies.....*Grand Master.*
*Anderson Seavy .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Louis Cohn .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
William Alexander January..*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1865.

*Anderson Seavy .....*Grand Master.*
*Louis Cohn .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Alexander January..*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1866.

*James Lawrence English.....*Grand Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1867.

*Alvin Bacon Preston.....*Grand Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*William Franklin Knox.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1868

*Joseph Isaacs .....*Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Franklin Knox.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Stephen Wing .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1870

Frederick Ferdinand Barss....*Grand Master.*
*Stephen Wing .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Leonard Gross .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Thomas Kyle .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1871

*Stephen Wing .....*Grand Master.*
*Thomas Kyle .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
Powell Samuel Lawson.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1872

*Thomas Kyle .....*Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Powell Samuel Lawson.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1873

*William Thomas Reynolds....*Grand Master.*
Powell Samuel Lawson.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1874

POWELL SAMUEL LAWSON.....*Grand Master.*
HENRY SAYRE ORME.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*EDMUND TAYLOR WILKINS.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1875

HENRY SAYRE ORME.....*Grand Master.*
*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH ROGERS.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1876

HENRY SAYRE ORME.....*Grand Master.*
*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH ROGERS.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1877

*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES.....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH ROGERS.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1878

WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....*Grand Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH ROGERS.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
JOHN WILLIAM ROCK.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1879

*EDWIN ALDRICH ROGERS.....*Grand Master.*
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
JOHN WILLIAM ROCK.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1880

EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Grand Master.*
JOHN WILLIAM ROCK.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE...*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1881

EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Grand Master.*
JOHN WILLIAM ROCK.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE...*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1882

JOHN WILLIAM ROCK.....*Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE...*Grand Illustrious Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1883

*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE.....*Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE...*Deputy Grand Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM..*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1884

GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE...*Grand Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM..*Grand Illustrious Master.*
LEMUEL TRESCOTT CRANE.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1885

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM..*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES LORD FIELD.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1886

CHARLES LORD FIELD.....*Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1887

CHARLES LORD FIELD.....*Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1888

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....*Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1889

*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON.....*Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1890

W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1891

W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1892

W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1893

*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1894

GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1895

*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT.....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1896

WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS.....*Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1897

HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1898

ROBERT ASH .....*Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
JACOB HART NEFF.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1899

AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Grand Master.*
JACOB HART NEFF.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH...*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1900

JACOB HART NEFF.....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH...*Deputy Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1901

WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH...*Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1902

JOHN GOULD BISBEE.....*Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1903

ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT.....*Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
EDUARD KEIL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1904

DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND.....*Grand Master.*
EDUARD KEIL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1905

EDUARD KEIL .....*Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1906

CHARLES J. WILLETT.....*Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM H. GAYNOR.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

1906

RELATIVE TO THE GRAND COUNCIL.

ARTICLE I.

OF ITS TITLE AND SEAL.

SECTION 1. This body shall be entitled "THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA," and shall have a Seal, bearing suitable devices and inscriptions, which shall be affixed to all instruments issued by or under its authority.

ARTICLE II.

OF ITS OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. The Grand Council shall be composed of a Grand Master, whose title shall be Most Illustrious; a Deputy Grand Master, a Grand Principal Conductor of Work, a Grand Treasurer, a Grand Recorder, a Grand Chaplain, a Grand Lecturer, a Grand Captain of Guard, a Grand Conductor of Council, a Grand Steward, whose titles shall be Right Illustrious; a Grand Organist, and a Grand Sentinel, whose titles shall be Illustrious; all Past Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Masters, Past Grand Principal Conductors of Work; all Thrice Illustrious Masters, Deputy Illustrious Masters, and Principal Conductors of Work for the time being, of the several Councils under its jurisdiction, and all Past Thrice Illustrious Masters of such Councils, so long as all such officers and past officers remain members of any Council under the jurisdiction of the Grand Council.

ARTICLE III.

OF ITS POWERS AND AUTHORITY.

SECTION 1. This Grand Council has the sole government and superintendence of all Councils under its jurisdiction, with authority to

settle all controversies that may arise between them, to assign their limits, to prescribe laws and regulations for their government, and to review, confirm or annul their decisions.

SEC. 2. It shall have power to grant dispensations and charters for holding regular Councils within the State of California, and may revoke, suspend or annul the same.

SEC. 3. It may assess and collect from the several Councils under its jurisdiction such sums of money, annually, as may be found necessary for its maintenance and support.

ARTICLE IV.

OF ITS ASSEMBLIES.

SECTION 1. The Grand Council shall hold its Annual Assemblies at the same place in which the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California shall annually convene, and on the day preceding such Annual Convocation. Special Assemblies may be ordered by the Grand Master, at his discretion, or whenever desired by a majority of the Councils under this jurisdiction; but no business shall be transacted thereat other than that specified in such order.

ARTICLE V.

OF ITS ELECTIONS.

SECTION 1. The first five officers of the Grand Council shall be chosen by ballot at each Annual Assembly; shall be duly installed before the close thereof; and shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected and installed. A majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary for a choice. The remaining officers shall be appointed by the Grand Master. Any vacancy in office, occurring when the Grand Council is not in session, may be filled by the Grand Master, and the officer so appointed shall possess all the powers and be charged with all the duties of one regularly elected.

ARTICLE VI.

OF PROXIES.

SECTION 1. Each Thrice Illustrious Master, Deputy Illustrious Master, and Principal Conductor of Work of the subordinate Councils under this jurisdiction, may appear and vote by proxy, but such proxy must be a member of the same Council with his principal.

ARTICLE VII.

OF VOTING.

SECTION 1. Each member of the Grand Council present shall be entitled to one vote, and all questions shall be determined by a ma-

jority of votes. In all cases of a tie vote, except votes by ballot, the Grand Master, in addition to his proper vote, may have the casting vote.

ARTICLE VIII.

OF REVENUE.

SECTION 1. The revenue of the Grand Council shall be derived from the following sources:—

1st. For every dispensation to form a new Council, the sum of twenty-five dollars, of which ten dollars shall be the fee of the Grand Recorder;

2d. For every charter to perpetuate a new Council, the sum of twenty-five dollars, of which five dollars shall be the fee of the Grand Recorder;

3d. For a dispensation to hold an election for an officer or officers at a time other than that named in this Constitution, five dollars;

4th. For a diploma, five dollars, of which three dollars shall be the fee of the Grand Recorder;

5th. For each companion received and greeted, the sum of one dollar; and

6th. For each member borne upon the rolls of the subordinate Councils at the date of their Annual Returns, the sum of fifty cents.

ARTICLE IX.

OF COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1. The following regular committees, to consist of three members each, shall be appointed by the Grand Master at each Annual Assembly, viz.:—On Credentials, on Reports of Grand Officers, on Jurisprudence, on Appeals and Grievances, on Finances and Returns, on New Councils and on Necrology.

OF THE GRAND OFFICERS.

ARTICLE X.

OF THE GRAND MASTER.

SECTION 1. The Grand Master shall have power, when the Grand Council is not in session, to issue dispensations for the formation of new Councils, and shall, either in person or by proxy, constitute all new Councils, when chartered, and install their officers. He may visit and preside in any Council within his jurisdiction, inspect its proceedings, and require its conformity to Masonic rule; and, during the recess of the Grand Council, may exercise all its executive functions.

ARTICLE XI.

OF THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, AND THE GRAND PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR OF WORK.

SECTION I. In case of the death of the Grand Master, his absence from the State, or of his inability from any cause to perform the functions of his office, the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Principal Conductor of Work shall, in the order of their rank, succeed to and be charged with all the duties of that office.

ARTICLE XII.

OF THE GRAND TREASURER.

SECTION I. The Grand Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the Grand Council from the Grand Recorder, and shall pay the same out under such regulations as by it may be provided. He shall keep a just account thereof in proper books, and at each Annual Assembly shall present a detailed statement of his receipts and disbursements, together with vouchers for the last, and a full statement of the existing condition of the finances.

ARTICLE XIII.

OF THE GRAND RECORDER.

SECTION I. The Grand Recorder shall keep an accurate record of all the transactions of the Grand Council which should be written. He shall collect the revenue, and pay it over to the Grand Treasurer. He shall present a detailed report of his receipts and of all business appertaining to his office, at each Annual Assembly. He shall keep the seal of the Grand Council, and shall affix it, with his attestation, to all instruments emanating from that body, and to all dispensations issued by the Grand Master. He shall report at each Annual Assembly all unfinished business; shall conduct the correspondence of the Grand Council; and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned him by the Grand Council or Grand Master. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Grand Council may direct.

OF SUBORDINATE COUNCILS.

ARTICLE XIV.

OF THEIR FORMATION.

SECTION I. Upon the petition of nine or more Royal and Select Masters, in good standing, the Grand Council, or the Grand Master, may issue a Letter of Dispensation, authorizing them to form and open a Council of Royal and Select Masters, with power to confer

the several Cryptic degrees therein, and to receive members by affiliation. But no such Dispensation shall issue unless the petition be accompanied by a recommendation from the Council nearest to the location of the proposed new one, which shall certify to the good standing of each of the petitioners, to the proper qualifications of the officers whom they have nominated, and that a suitable place of assembling has been provided. The Dispensation thus issued shall terminate on the first day of the month in which the next succeeding Annual Assembly shall be holden, and then shall be rereturned to the Grand Recorder, together with the Book of Records, By-Laws and Returns, and if the transactions of the new Council shall appear satisfactory, it may, upon petition, receive a charter.

SEC. 2. A Council shall consist of a Thrice Illustrious Master, a Deputy Illustrious Master, a Principal Conductor of Work, a Treasurer, a Recorder, a Captain of Guard, a Conductor of Council, a Steward, a Sentinel, and as many members as may be found convenient.

ARTICLE XV.

OF THEIR DUTIES.

SECTION 1. Each Council shall hold a stated assembly at least once in each month for the transaction of its regular business. Special meetings may be ordered by the Thrice Illustrious Master, at his discretion. A failure to assemble for six successive months shall be deemed sufficient cause for the arrest or revocation of the charter.

SEC. 2. The first five officers of each Council shall be chosen by ballot at the stated meeting next preceding the Anniversary of St. John the Evangelist, and shall be installed as soon thereafter as convenient. A majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary for a choice. The other officers shall be appointed by the Thrice Illustrious Master.

SEC. 3. The returns of each Council shall be made up to and including the last day of January in each year, and shall be forwarded within fifteen days thereafter, with the annual dues, to the Grand Recorder.

SEC. 4. The returns to the Grand Council shall contain the names of all the members, alphabetically arranged, the names of the Lodges and Chapters of which they may be members, the names of the Councils to which those who have affiliated during the year last belonged, and such other particulars as may be prescribed by the Grand Recorder.

ARTICLE XVI.

OF FEES AND DUES.

SECTION 1. No Council under this jurisdiction shall confer the degrees for a less sum than ten dollars, which fee must invariably

accompany the petition. The dues of the members of each Council shall be such as may be provided in its By-Laws, and the non-payment of such dues for a period of twelve months, unless good reason therefor be shown, shall be punished by suspension.

ARTICLE XVII.

OF PROHIBITIONS.

SECTION 1. No Council shall confer the degrees of Royal and Select Master upon any one who is not a Royal Arch Mason in good standing.

SEC. 2. There shall not be a greater number of Councils established in this State than there are Royal Arch Chapters, nor more than one Council within the jurisdiction of a Chapter.

ARTICLE XVIII.

OF TRIALS AND APPEALS.

SECTION 1. The mode of procedure in all trials shall, as nearly as may be, be that which is now or may hereafter be prescribed in the Constitution and Regulations of the M∴E∴Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of this State; and appeals from the results of such trials may in like manner as is directed by the Grand Chapter, be made to and adjudicated by the Grand Council.

ARTICLE XIX.

SECTION 1. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any Annual Assembly by the votes of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER

OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA.

RULE 1. When the Grand Council has assembled, the Grand Recorder shall call the roll, and if there be a quorum present, the Grand Council shall be opened.

The Grand Master shall then appoint the following regular committees:—On Credentials, on Reports of Grand Officers, on Jurisprudence, on Appeals and Grievances, on Finances and Returns, on New Councils and on Necrology. No further business shall be transacted until the report of the Committee on Credentials shall have been received.

RULE 2. After the reception of the report of the Committee on Credentials, the minutes of the preceding Assembly shall be read by the Grand Recorder, unless otherwise ordered.

The address of the Grand Master, reports of the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer shall then be presented and referred to the proper committees, in the order named.

RULE 3. The regular order of business shall then be as follows:

1st. Report of Committee on Fraternal Correspondence.

2d. Reception and action upon, or reference of, petitions, memorials and appeals.

3d. Reports of regular and special committees, and action thereon.

4th. Motions, resolutions and other business.

5th. Unfinished business.

RULE 4. All reports submitted, all petitions, memorials or appeals presented, and all orders, motions or resolutions shall be in writing, and shall be read by the Grand Recorder before any action is taken thereupon.

RULE 5. No motion to reconsider shall be entertained, unless made during the same session when the question proposed to be reconsidered was decided, nor unless such motion be made by one who voted with the majority upon that question.

RULE 6. When a day and hour shall have been named for the election of Grand Officers, such election shall, at that time, take precedence of all other business, unless the Grand Council, by a two-thirds vote, shall otherwise direct.

RULE 7. These rules shall only be suspended by unanimous consent, but may at any time be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

GENERAL REGULATION No. 1.

Resolved, That one or more of the Cryptic Degrees be exemplified at each succeeding session of this Grand Council, under the direction of the Grand Lecturer, the Degree to be exemplified to be optional with that officer.

RESOLUTION.

Adopted April 16, 1906.

Resolved, That a Council of Royal and Select Masters of this jurisdiction be permitted and encouraged to visit any of the Chapters located nearer to it than to any other Council, take with it its clothing and jewels, and in said Chapter hall confer the Cryptic Degrees; provided, however, that the candidates upon whom the Degrees are to be conferred shall have been elected prior thereto, at the local place of meeting of said visiting Council.

UNIFORM CODE OF BY-LAWS.

Adopted by Grand Council April 17, 1893.

BY-LAWS

Of.....Council, No....., Royal and Select Masters, holden under the authority of the Grand Council of the State of California, and acknowledging the supremacy of the General Grand Council of the United States of America.

ARTICLE I.

OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of this Council shall be a Thrice Illustrious Master, Deputy Illustrious Master, Principal Conductor of Work, Treasurer, Recorder, Captain of Guard, Conductor of Council, Steward and Sentinel.

SEC. 2. Every Companion named in the dispensation by authority of which the Council was first opened, or who has or shall have affiliated therewith, and every Companion who shall have received the degrees therein, shall, while in good standing, be deemed members of this Council.

ARTICLE II.

OF ASSEMBLIES.

SECTION 1. Stated Assemblies of this Council shall be holden on the .....
for the transaction of its regular business.

SEC. 2. Special Assemblies may at any time be ordered by the Thrice Illustrious Master of the Council.

ARTICLE III.

OF ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

SECTION 1. The officers of this Council (except the Captain of Guard, Conductor of Council, Steward and Sentinel) shall be chosen annually, by ballot, at the first Stated Assembly in the month of December, and shall occupy their respective stations until their successors shall be chosen and installed.

SEC. 2. The Captain of Guard, Conductor of Council, Steward and Sentinel shall be appointed by the Thrice Illustrious Master, and shall occupy their several stations during his pleasure.

ARTICLE IV.

OF DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The Thrice Illustrious Master, Deputy Illustrious Master and Principal Conductor of Work shall perform such duties as are prescribed in the Constitution and General Regulations of the Grand Council, and as traditionally appertain to their respective stations.

SEC. 2. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys from the Recorder, giving him receipts therefor; shall keep a just and accurate account thereof; and shall pay the same out, when directed by the Council, upon the orders of the Thrice Illustrious Master, countersigned by the Recorder. He shall annually, at the Stated Assembly, when the officers are elected, present a full report of the receipts and disbursements for the year; and shall report upon the condition of the finances at such other times as the Council or Thrice Illustrious Master may direct. He shall give a bond to the Thrice Illustrious Master in such sum and with such securities as shall be satisfactory to that officer, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties.

SEC. 3. The Recorder, in addition to the duties prescribed in the Statutes, the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Council, shall issue all notices of Assemblies, and place them in the hands of the Sentinel for service; shall transmit notices of all rejections, suspensions, exclusions, expulsions and restorations by the Council, with his attestation to every document issued by or under its authority; shall, at each stated Assembly, announce the names of such members as may then be six months in arrears for dues; shall annually, at the stated Assembly, when the officers are elected, present a detailed report of his receipts, and of all business appertaining to his office; and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Council or Thrice Illustrious Master. He may receive such compensation for his services as the Council shall direct.

SEC. 4. The Sentinel, in addition to the customary duties of his station, shall make proper preparation for the several Assemblies; shall serve all notices, summons or orders placed in his hands by the Recorder; and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Council or Thrice Illustrious Master. He may receive such compensation for his services as the Council shall direct.

SEC. 5. The other officers shall perform such duties as traditionally appertain to their respective stations, and as shall be assigned to them by the Council or Thrice Illustrious Master.

ARTICLE V.

OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE DEGREES AND FOR MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. All applications to this Council for degrees, or for affiliation, shall be made in writing, in the form prescribed by the Grand Council; and shall, if received, be referred to a committee of three, who shall report thereon at the first stated Assembly, which shall occur not less than four weeks thereafter, unless by unanimous consent of all present, it may be acted upon immediately.

SEC. 2. Upon the reception of the report of at least a majority of such committee, the application shall be balloted for, and it shall require a unanimous vote to elect. If, however, one black ball only appear, the Thrice Illustrious Master may order a second ballot, when, if a black ball again be cast, the applicant shall be declared rejected.

SEC. 3. When an applicant shall be rejected, the fee accompanying his application shall be at once returned to him; and when one who has been elected to receive the degrees shall neglect to present himself for that purpose within three months, his election shall be void, and his fee shall be forfeited to the Council, unless satisfactory reasons are afforded for such neglect.

SEC. 4. Every Companion becoming a member of this Council shall, within three months thereafter, sign his name to its By-Laws, under penalty of forfeiture of his membership.

ARTICLE VI.

OF FEES AND DUES.

SECTION 1. The fees for the degrees in this Council shall be..... dollars, and shall invariably accompany the application.

SEC. 2. The dues of each member of this Council shall be..... dollars per annum; and no member shall be eligible to any office, or be permitted to vote at any election, while.....months in arrears for dues.

SEC. 3. Any member of this Council who shall be.....months in arrears for dues, shall be immediately notified thereof by the Recorder; and if said dues shall not be fully paid at or before the next stated Assembly, or some sufficient reason be presented for such non-payment, he shall be suspended from the Council.

SEC. 4. Any member of this Council, suspended for non-payment of dues, shall be at once restored upon payment of all arrearages to the date of such restoration.

ARTICLE VII.

OF COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1. The first three officers of this Council shall constitute a Standing Committee, whose duty it shall be to report any unmasonic conduct on the part of any of its members; to reconcile, if possible, any difference which may exist among or between them; and to receive and examine into applications for assistance from worthy Companions, their widows or orphans, and afford such relief as their immediate necessities may require.

SEC. 2. An Auditing Committee shall be appointed immediately after the installation of officers, whose duty it shall be to examine and approve, reject or approve all bills and accounts against the Council, before presentation by the Recorder.

SEC. 3. At the stated Assembly next preceding that when the election for officers is to take place, a committee shall be appointed to examine the books of the Treasurer and Recorder; and such committee shall report thereon at the next stated Assembly.

SEC. 4. All committees shall be appointed by the Thrice Illustrious Master, unless otherwise ordered by the Council, and shall present their reports in writing.

ARTICLE VIII.

OF WITHDRAWALS.

SECTION 1. Any member of this Council, in good standing, may withdraw therefrom upon payment of all dues, and giving notice of such withdrawal at a stated Assembly; but no recommendatory certificate shall be issued to such member unless ordered by the Council.

ARTICLE IX.

OF UNLAWFUL REVELATIONS.

SECTION 1. Any member of this Council or Companion within its jurisdiction, who shall be so unmindful of his duties as improperly to reveal any of its transactions, shall, upon proof thereof, be immediately suspended or expelled.

ARTICLE X.

OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. The order of business at each stated Assembly shall be as follows:

1. Reading the minutes of preceding Assemblies.
2. Reception of reports and action thereon.

3. Reception and reference of applications.
4. Unfinished and miscellaneous business.
5. Conferring of degrees.

ARTICLE XI.

OF READING AND AMENDMENTS.

SECTION 1. These By-Laws shall be read to the Council at least once in every six months, at a stated Assembly.

SEC. 2. They may be amended, so far as relates to the times of meeting and amounts of fees and dues, at any stated Assembly, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that notice of such amendment shall have been given at the stated meeting next preceding; but such amendment shall have no effect until approved by the Grand Council or Most Illustrious Grand Master, and notice thereof shall then be immediately given to the Grand Recorder.

CONCLUSION

To our Companion Royal and Select Masters in the Jurisdiction of this Grand Council, which extends beyond the State of California, and includes within its obedience Helena Council No. 9 of Montana:

ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANIONS:—You are well aware that the production of a Journal of Proceedings of the Grand Council is the result of mutual efforts of the Grand Recorder and the Reporter on Correspondence, as he is named, his duties being to report the doings of other Grand Jurisdictions, their relative progress and conditions, with such comment as the subject considered may warrant.

In accordance therewith, our correspondent, Most Illustrious Companion James Bestor Merritt, prepared, had printed and presented his annual report to the Grand Council, which, after approval, was ordered published in the Journal of the session.

So far, normal conditions favored the publication of the Journal as usual, and we were happy in the expectation of placing in your hands as soon as practicable, the reports of the Grand Officers and the record of the year's work, including the Report on Correspondence; such were the conditions on the evening of the 16th of last April.

On the next day, the 17th, we were all interested in the assembling of Grand Chapter, which, after opening, commenced its regular business, calling off at 4:30 until 10 o'clock A. M. of the 18th.

In the evening a convention of the Order of High Priesthood was held, closing at 10:30. From that time until the calling on of the Grand Chapter was but a few hours, and mostly passed in sleep; yet, measured by our experience of the happenings at 5:13 on that eventful morning of April 18th, it seems to us even now to have been years.

In time we learned that Companion Merritt's report, not being fireproof, had, with everything else that would burn, been destroyed. We have made the best possible use of the intervening time in gathering duplicates of former reports from Councils and material from which to found this report. To illustrate the congestion and delay in procuring material, an order for making a few books, according to our adopted forms, was delayed three months in its execution and that at Sacramento.

Having overcome our preliminary difficulties, we were ready to go to press, when we received word from our Illustrious Companion

Merritt, that ill health and a rush of other business would prevent the duplication of his Report on Correspondence.

Our first thought on receiving Companion Merritt's letter was to throw up our hands and surrender; but then came the "sober second thought," which translated means, keep going, young man, and while you are in motion let no grass grow under your feet, and in accordance therewith, we submit this conclusion, with a few observations on Cryptic Masonry from the address of Most Illustrious Nelson Williams, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Ohio, at the opening of that Grand Council in October, 1905. As a born poet he opens in these beautiful lines:

Illustrious Companions:

The wings of time grow stronger day by day,
And swifter is his flight as years roll on;
His fateful course no mortal hand can stay,
And e'er we know it another year has gone.

Life's heavy load grows heavier day by day;
Our bodies bend beneath the weight of years;
Our friends are ever falling by the way,
But through the mists the dawn of rest appears.

Our mortal end draws nearer day by day,
For in our flesh Death's deadly seed is sown;
'Twill ripen soon, and we shall pass away
To realms where dread disease will be unknown.

The light of Faith grows brighter day by day;
Its calming influence no tongue can tell;
A while and we shall hear the angels say,
"We bid you welcome," and "all is well."

After acknowledging the goodness of God in his support and protection, both as Companions and as Councils, he extended a fraternal welcome to all. Of their progress as a jurisdiction he said: "The net gain in membership this year is considerably less than last year, and I am unable to give the cause. However, the report of the Grand Recorder will show a net gain of 662 during the fiscal year, which I think is quite a satisfactory increase. No grievance has been reported to me during the year, and I have made no decision on Masonic law of sufficient importance to be embodied in this report."

We would call special attention to their system of inspection of Councils for comparison with our present practice. Ohio has on her roll sixty Constituent Councils, with a membership of 8,252 Royal and select Masters, and is the largest Cryptic Jurisdiction in the world.

RELATIVE TO OHIO INSPECTIONS.

"*Inspection of Councils.* Prior to the time for arranging for the inspections of the Subordinate Councils of the State, and the dividing of the State into nine Arches, as required by Resolution No. 20 of the Grand Council, Companion Henry True, Right Illustrious Grand Treasurer, informed me that on account of ill health he would be absent from the jurisdiction a part of the year, and requested to be excused from duty as an inspector. Being satisfied as to the sincerity of his request, I was pleased to excuse this worthy and willing Companion, and personally assumed the inspection of as many Councils as would have been assigned to him, had he been physically able to make the inspections. I was also advised that Companion John L. Roemer, Right Illustrious Grand Chaplain, was about to remove from the jurisdiction of this Grand Council and would not be able to inspect any Councils if they should be assigned to him. I thereupon requested Companion Abram C. Kopp of Chillicothe, Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Chillicothe Council No. 4, to inspect the Councils that would otherwise have been assigned to Companion Roemer. This he consented to do, and I thereupon issued a circular addressed to all Royal and Select Masters of Ohio." The "Circular" named the Inspectors and the Councils assigned to them for inspection, concluding with the following instructions:

"This announcement has been delayed because of the failure of some Subordinate Councils to hold their elections at the time fixed by their By-Laws, and the neglect of others to report the result of the election held. It is, therefore, important that the Inspectors take up the inspection at once, and communicate with the Thrice Illustrious Masters in their respective Arches, to the end that an early inspection may be had of all the Councils in the State. While it is desired that the inspections shall be made so far as possible by the Companions herein appointed, yet the inspection is the thing desired, and if any of the Companions herein named are unable for any reason to inspect one or more of the Councils assigned to them, they are authorized to delegate their authority to some suitable Companion or Companions in whose wisdom, judgment and integrity they have confidence, and to whose report they are willing to subscribe. It is desired that the inspections be made before July 1st, and inspecting officers will promptly forward to this office a report of each inspection, with a statement of their expenses.

"The Thrice Illustrious Master will cause this circular to be read in Council at the first stated Assembly after its receipt, and, upon notification by the inspecting officer, will promptly arrange for the visitation and inspection.

"As our Grand Jurisdiction now has the proud distinction of leading the Cryptic forces of the world in numerical strength, let us not only

endeavor to maintain this position, but let us see to it that our standard of excellence, our devotion to duty, our earnestness and zeal are second to none.

"Zealously and fraternally,

"NELSON WILLIAMS, Most Illustrious Grand Master.

"Attest: WM. E. EVANS, Grand Recorder."

"Notwithstanding the late date at which this circular was issued, I have much pleasure in reporting that all the Councils in the State, except two, were inspected. One of these, Union Council No. 2 of Steubenville I had assigned to myself, and anticipated much pleasure in making the inspection. But it proved impossible for me to leave home at the time set for the inspection, and I was thereafter out of this Grand Jurisdiction until too late to discharge that duty. The other Council was Delphos No. 72 of Delphos. This Council was assigned to Illustrious Companion Warren J. Baker for inspection, and from correspondence submitted to me by Companion Baker, as well as from correspondence between the Thrice Illustrious Master and myself, I am satisfied that Companion Baker made every possible effort to bring about an inspection of this Council. In this connection, permit me to say that a few Councils in the State apparently do not understand that the annual inspection of Councils is required by the law of the Grand Council, and that the Inspectors are the proxies of the Grand Master and are entitled to the same courteous treatment and thoughtful consideration usually accorded him. It has been the custom of this Grand Council for many years, in making the assignment of Inspectors, to publish with the list of Subordinate Councils and the names of the Inspectors, the names of the Thrice Illustrious Masters and Recorders of Subordinate Councils for the current year. Because of the failure of many Councils to elect officers at the time fixed by their By-Laws, the assignment of Inspectors is necessarily delayed. Then there is a disposition to postpone the inspections to the latest possible date without reference to the convenience of the Inspector. The reason usually assigned is lack of proficiency in the Ritual, but sometimes the delay is asked because there is no candidate in sight. Neither of these is a good excuse. In this day of almost perfect ritualism there is no reason why the officers of a Council should not be prepared to confer the degrees within thirty days after their election, and as to the candidate, while it is preferable to have a real candidate, it is better to use a substitute, than embarrass the Inspectors and retard the business of the Grand Council.

"I extend to the Inspectors my sincere thanks for the unusual amount of energy displayed by them in the inspection of the Councils assigned to them, which was necessitated by the lateness of their appointment."

NELSON WILLIAMS,
Grand Master.

The Grand Council of California provides for the payment of the visitation expenses of the Most Illustrious Grand Master. We submit, however, that in addition to this, an appropriation should be made sufficient to cover the expense incurred, in order that every Council in the jurisdiction may be visited by the Grand Lecturer or his proxy, for the purpose of inspection and instruction. That where found deficient, the officers of the several Councils may be assisted and encouraged to perfect themselves in the General Grand Council Ritual, adopted as the "Work" of this Grand Council.

We realize that our Grand Lecturer has in the matter of visitations, accomplished much more than could have been expected under existing conditions, combining whenever and wherever possible, Council with his Chapter work; and we fully believe that an inspection of each and every Council at least once a year by our Grand Lecturer or some Companion deputized by him for that purpose would, in increase of interest and membership, well repay any outlay of the Grand Council in that respect.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS A. DAVIES,

Grand Recorder.

The following verses were published in the September issue of *Western Field,* and as they express the faith that all Californians have, irrespective of their fraternal affiliations, in the rebuilding of a great and beautiful city upon the ashes of San Francisco, we feel that it is not inappropriate to repeat them here.

THE FUTURE OF SAN FRANCISCO.

Thy pow'r of Purpose and thy heart of Hope
Lie quiv'ring in the ashes. 'Neath thy ruin
I see the struggling forces of Success,
Regenerate, indomitable and grand,
Pulsing with latent triumph. There, below
The lethargy and silence of the waste,
Thy mighty being labors with its woe—
A Soul of Strife, invincible, which knows
No conqueror, no failure or despair,
Or foe, or fate formidable, but lives
Immune to Doom, undimmed by Destiny.
That spirit of thy future, tho' submerged,
Surmounts its wreck, and in Tomorrow's light
Shall rise effulgent from the bursted grave
Of futile death, fair as the Morning God
In all the roseate splendor of the dawn;
Nor man, nor fate, nor that seismic wrath
Of subterranean wantonness can still
Or stay the upward progress of thy pride.

Impregnable to failure, from the dust
And ashes of thy darkness, born anew,
That soul ascends eternal to its throne
Besides these western waters; and that throne
Shall be a fitting tribute to thy reign.
The wealth of all the Occident, more vast
Than Orient's nameless treasures, and the sheen
Of glories yet unmeasured; grandeur, gold,
And beauties without number; all that Love
And Pride and Fame and Fortune can bestow
Shall deck thy regal dais, and the crown
Shall lie unchallenged, matchless, on thy brow—
Ineffable, immortal. Thou shalt be
What we have dreamed, and what thy soul so oft
Didst contemplate, when in those days now gone
Thy heart first felt the burgeon of its hope,
But knew not yet the fierce alchemic fire—

The crucible of Kismet. Thou didst sit
Imperial in thy majesty, alone,
Unrivaled; but thy soul couldst not
Attain the glittering vision of its goal,
Nor know success, nor realize its dream
Till thou hadst drunk of sorrow.

It is done.
The crucial hour is past, and soon, my Queen,
The darkness and the sorrow shall have gone.
The light descends; the dream returns, and from
The fervor of its force shall be fulfilled.
Fresh-panoplied with iron will inspired,
Bright, beautiful, unvanquished, thou shalt pass
Determined to thy triumph, and the world
Shall bow its head, and kneeling at thy throne
Shall lay its wealth and homage at thy feet,
Trembling, amazed to contemplate thy scope,
Thy prestige, peace, magnificence and fame.
Thou shalt be monarch of the West, the Queen
Of all the wondrous Occident. And men
Shall call thee fair, and marvel at thy strength,
And love thee for thy courage—and thy past!

—*T. Shelley Sutton.*

CRYPTIC STATISTICS FROM PROCEEDINGS RECEIVED TO DATE.

Grand Councils	*Place of Assembly*	*Date of Assembly*	*Membership*
Alabama	Montgomery	Dec. 4, 1905	373
Arkansas	Little Rock	Nov. 24, 1905	309
California	San Francisco	Apr. 17, 1906	1,955
Colorado	Denver	Sept. 20, 1905	498
Connecticut	New Haven	May 10, 1906	4,020
England and Wales	London	Mch. 9, 1905	1,079
Georgia	Macon	Apr. 25, 1905	887
Illinois	Chicago	Oct. 25, 1905	4,335
Indiana	Indianapolis	Oct. 17, 1905	4,513
Indian Territory	Ada	Apr. 18, 1906	260
Iowa	Iowa City	Sept. 27, 1905	1,000
Kansas	Topeka	Feb. 19, 1906	1,145
Kentucky	Louisville	Oct. 16, 1905	1,190
Louisiana	New Orleans	Feb. 4, 1904	309
Maine	Portland	May 3, 1905	3,464
Maryland	Baltimore	Nov. 18, 1904	827
Massachusetts	Boston	Dec. 13, 1905	6,882
Michigan	Saginaw	May 14, 1906	5,802
Minnesota	St. Paul	Oct. 9, 1905	807
Mississippi	Jackson	Feb. 21, 1905	1,439
Missouri	Kansas City	Apr. 24, 1906	1,325
Nebraska	Omaha	Dec. 13, 1905	948
New Hampshire	Concord	May 15, 1905	1,827
New Jersey	Trenton	Mch. 21, 1905	676
New York	Brooklyn	Aug. 29, 1905	5,115
North Carolina	Charlotte	May 9, 1906	290
Ohio	Springfield	Oct. 3, 1905	8,252
Oregon	Salem	Apr. 11, 1906	357
Pennsylvania	New Castle	Feb. 27, 1906	3,324
Rhode Island	Providence	Apr. 12, 1904	1,723
South Carolina	Charleston	Feb. 13, 1906	207
Tennessee	Nashville	Jan. 29, 1906	662
Vermont	Burlington	June 12, 1906	1,319
Washington	Bellingham	June 20, 1905	596
Wisconsin	Milwaukee	Feb. 10, 1906	2,074
		Total	69,789

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TRANSACTIONS

OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

AT ITS

FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

HELD AT

Mission Masonic Temple, in the City of San Francisco

ON

MONDAY, APRIL 15th, A. D. 1907, A. DEP. 2907

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CHRONOLOGY

The ordinary calendar, or vulgar era, is not generally used by Freemasons in dating their official documents. They have one peculiar to themselves, differing according to their various rites. The Masons in all parts of the world working in the York and French rites add 4000 years to the Christian era, calling it Anno Lucis—Year of Light; abbreviated A∴L∴; thus the year 1907 would be A∴L∴5907. (This fact has a symbolic reference, not because they believe Freemasonry is, but that the principles and light of the institution are, coeval with the creation.)

Masons practicing in the Ancient and Accepted rite use the Jewish Calendar, which adds 3760 years to the vulgar era, styled Anno Mundi —A∴M∴—year of the world. Or they sometimes use the Hebrew Year, which begins on the 17th of September, or 1st of Tisri, using the initials A∴H∴—Anno Hebraico—Hebrew Year.

Royal Arch Masons date from the building of the second Temple—530 B. C. Their style is therefore Anno Inventionis—A∴Inv∴—in the year of the Discovery.

Royal and Select Masters should date from the completion of Solomon's Temple, which would add 1000 to the Christian era. Their style is Anno Depositionis—A∴Dep∴—in the year of the Deposit.

Knights Templar date from the organization of the Order—1118. Their style is therefore Anno Ordinis—A∴O∴—in the year of the Order.

Those of the rite of Mizraim add four years to the usual computation of the age of the world; thus the year 1907 would stand A∴L∴5911.

Masons of the York rite begin the year on the first of January; but in the French rite it commences on the first of March.

GENERAL GRAND OFFICERS

OF THE

General Grand Council

OF THE

UNITED STATES

1906-1909

HENRY C. LARRABEE, Baltimore, Md.....*General Grand Master*

GRAFF M. ACKLIN, Toledo, Ohio.....*General Grand Deputy Master*

JOHN ALBERT BLAKE, Boston Mass..*General Grand Principal Conductor*

CHARLES H. HEATON, Montpelier, Vt.....*General Grand Treasurer*

HENRY W. MORDHURST, Ft. Wayne, Ind.....*General Grand Recorder*

R. PERRY BUSH, Boston.....*General Grand Chaplain*

EDWARD W. WELLINGTON, Ellsworth, Kan.....
.....*General Grand Captain of Guard*

GEORGE A. NEWELL, Medina, N. Y.....
.....*General Grand Conductor of Council*

WILLIAM F. CLEVELAND, Harlan, Iowa.....*General Grand Marshal*

FAY HEMPSTEAD, Little Rock, Ark.....*General Grand Steward*

JOHN T. KIMBALL, Boston.....*General Grand Sentinel*

The Tenth Triennial Assembly will be held in Savannah, Georgia.

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

Officers Elected and Appointed at the Annual Assembly
April 15, A. D. 1907, A. Dep. 2907

*M:.I:.*CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, GRAND MASTER.....
.....*Superior Court, Department 3, Stockton*
*R:.I:.*WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR, DEPUTY GRAND MASTER....
.....825 *West 32d Street, Los Angeles*
*R:.I:.*WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY, GRAND PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR OF WORK.....*Sacramento*
*R:.I:.*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, GRAND TREASURER.....
.....*933 Fillmore Street, San Francisco*
*R:.I:.*THOMAS ABRAHAM DAVIES, GRAND RECORDER.....
.....*P. O. Box 163, Alameda; Phone Alameda 944*
*R:.I:.*THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT, GRAND CHAPLAIN .....*Redwood City*
*R:.I:.*HENRY ASCROFT, GRAND LECTURER.....
....*2220 Point Lobos Avenue, San Francisco, Phone Pacific 908*
*R:.I:.*THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, GRAND CAPTAIN OF GUARD .....*Santa Cruz*
*R:.I:.*BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT, GRAND CONDUCTOR OF COUNCIL.....*9 East Main Street, Alhambra*
*R:.I:.*JOSEPH ABNER COURTER, GRAND STEWARD....*Sacramento*
COMP. SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, GRAND ORGANIST.....
.....*2336 Steiner Street, San Francisco*
COMP. GEORGE WASHINGTON PERKINS, GRAND SENTINEL..
.....*Care Wells, Fargo & Co., San Francisco*

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

*M:.I:.*COMP. JAMES BESTOR MERRITT..*1200 Jackson St., Oakland*

The Forty-eighth Annual Assembly of this Grand Council will be held in the City of San Francisco, on Monday, April 20th, A. D. 1908, Anno Dep. 2908, at 10 o'clock A. M.

FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters assembled in Mission Masonic Temple, San Francisco, Monday, April 15th, 1907, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Companions were called to order by the Grand Master, Most Illustrious Charles Joseph Willett, and the Grand Recorder directed to call the roll. There being a sufficient representation present, The Grand Council was opened in Ample Form, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain and selections by the Grand Organist.

The absence of R. I. Fred Duane Voorhees, Grand Conductor of Council, was noted, Companion Charles Frank Thomas, Thrice Illustrious Master of Oakland Council No. 12, stating that owing to important business engagements in other localities, which require his attention at this time, it was impossible for Companion Voorhees to attend this Assembly; the Grand Master then appointed M. I. Companion Warren Edward Rowley of Los Angeles Council No. 11 to fill that station.

Companions Warren Edward Rowley, Charles Frank Thomas and Joseph Abner Courter, were appointed a Committee on Credentials and after a short recess reported as present and entitled to seats in this Assembly the following members:

GRAND OFFICERS

*M:.I:.*CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT, *Grand Master.*
*R:.I:.*CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, *Deputy Grand Master.*
*R:.I:.*WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR, *Grand Principal Conductor of Work.*
*R:.I:.*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand Treasurer.*

*R:.I:.*Thomas Abraham Davies, *Grand Recorder.*
*R:.I:.*Thomas Octreigh Heydenfeldt, *Grand Chaplain.*
*R:.I:.*Henry Ascroft, *Grand Lecturer.*
*R:.I:.*William Ohmer Girardey, *Grand Captain of Guard.*
*R:.I:.*Thompson Wilson Drullard, *Grand Steward.*
*Ill:.*Samuel David Mayer, *Grand Organist.*
*Ill:.*George Washington Perkins, *Grand Sentinel.*

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

*M:.Ill:.*William Abraham Davies.
*M:.Ill:.*William Monroe Petrie.
*M:.Ill:.*Franklin Henry Day.
*M:.Ill:.*Charles Lord Field.
*M:.Ill:.*James Bestor Merritt.
*M:.Ill:.*W. Frank Pierce.
*M:.Ill:.*George Penlington.
*M:.Ill:.*William Hewson Davis.
*M:.Ill:.*Henry Ascroft.
*M:.Ill:.*Robert Ash.
*M:.Ill:.*Jacob Hart Neff.
*M:.Ill:.*John Gould Bisbee.

COUNCILS REPRESENTED.

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL NO. 1—

Joseph Abner Courter, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
James Francis Lyon, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*
John McIndeor, *Principal Conductor of Work.*
William Monroe Petrie,
William Hewson Davis,
William Alexander January,
James Ellsworth Thompson,
William Ohmer Girardey,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL NO. 2—

Henry Ascroft, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*
George Penlington, *Principal Conductor of Work.*
Franklin Henry Day,
Charles Lord Field,
George Penlington,
Henry Ascroft,
Robert Ash,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

SONORA COUNCIL NO. 5—

ALFRED HERCULES RAINVILLE, *Representative.*

STOCKTON COUNCIL NO. 10—

CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL NO. 11—

CHARLES SHERMAN ANDERSON, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
JOHN FRANCIS HUGHES,
WARREN EDWARD ROWLEY,
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

OAKLAND COUNCIL NO. 12—

CHARLES FRANK THOMAS, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
EDWARD HARRISON MORGAN, *Principal Conductor of Work.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT,
W. FRANK PIERCE,
EDWARD HARRISON MORGAN,
GEORGE HENRY SMITH,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

GATEWAY COUNCIL NO. 13—

JACOB HART NEFF,
JOHN GOULD BISBEE,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

SANTA ANA COUNCIL NO. 14—

LEONARD FRANK HARVEY, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

VENTURA COUNCIL NO. 15—

RICHARD OWEN ROBINSON *Principal Conductor of Work and Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*

PASADENA COUNCIL NO. 16—

BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL NO. 17—

THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
MARK WEBSTER, *Principal Conductor of Work.*
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

M.·.Ill.·.Companions:

W. FRANK PIERCE.....Arkansas
JACOB HART NEFF.....Colorado
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS.....Indian Territory
HENRY ASCROFT.....Kansas
CHARLES LORD FIELD.....Maine and New York
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....Massachusetts
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....Michigan
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.....Minnesota
ROBERT ASH.....Mississippi
GEORGE PENLINGTON.....Missouri
JOHN FRANCIS HUGHES.....North Carolina
THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT.....Oregon
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....South Carolina
WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES.....Vermont

Recapitulation:

There are in attendance at this Annual Assembly all of the Grand Officers, excepting the Grand Conductor of Council, twelve Past Grand Masters, the Officers or duly accredited Representatives of eleven Chartered Councils with fourteen Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Council of California.

The Report was concurred in.

The several Committees were then named by the Most Illustrious Grand Master as follows:

On Jurisprudence—

Companions CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, JACOB HART NEFF, and W. FRANK PIERCE.

On Appeals and Grievances—

Companions JAMES BESTOR MERRITT JAMES ELLSWORTH THOMPSON, and WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR.

On New Councils—

Companions GEORGE PENLINGTON, JOHN GOULD BISBEE, and ALFRED HERCULES RAINVILLE.

On Finance and Returns—

Companions BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT, EDWARD HARRISON MORGAN, and CHARLES SHERMAN ANDERSON.

On Necrology—

Companions FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, HENRY ASCROFT, and WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES.

Special Committee to Audit and Report on the Books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder—

Companions JAMES BESTOR MERRITT, HENRY ASCROFT, and GEORGE PENLINGTON.

The reading of the minutes of the last Annual Assembly was dispensed with, the members having been furnished with printed copies thereof.

Most Illustrious Companion James W. Hopper, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Kentucky, was announced as in waiting and desiring admission. He was presented by Illustrious Companion Henry Ascroft, given a hearty welcome by the Grand Master and Companions present, and invited to a seat in the East.

The Grand Representatives present reported the Cryptic Rite as flourishing in their several Jurisdictions; they were warmly welcomed by the Grand Master and requested to convey to the several Grand Councils represented, the Fraternal Greetings of California Royal and Select Masters.

Our Illustrious visitor from Kentucky replied to the sentiments expressed by Grand Master Willett, as did also Companion Franklin H. Day on behalf of the Grand Council of Massachusetts.

M. I. Companion William Byron Scarborough, Grand Representative of the Jurisdictions of Georgia and Illinois, through Companion John Francis Hughes of Los Angeles, expressed his regrets at his inability to meet with us at this Assembly, and reported Cryptic Masonry as prospering in those Grand Jurisdictions.

The following reports received by the Grand Recorder, were read and ordered published in the Journal.

FERGUS FALLS, MINNESOTA, Dec. 8, 1906.

Mr. Thos. A. Davies, San Francisco, Cal.

DEAR SIR AND COMPANION—On Oct. 8th, I had the honor and pleasure to represent the Grand Council of the State of California at the thirty-seventh Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of the State of Minnesota. The session was both pleasant and profitable, and it was my pleasure to extend your friendly greetings at that time. You have or will

receive a copy of the Proceedings, which precludes the necessity of any extended report on my part. Kindly convey my greetings and best wishes to the Grand Master of California.

Fraternally yours,

J. T. JOHNSON.

AUBURN, CAL., Apl. 13, 1907.

Thos. A. Davies, Esq., Grand Recorder Grand Council,

DEAR SIR AND COMPANION—The last Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of the State of Washington, was held in Spokane on the 19th day of June, 1906. The returns show a net gain of 24, with a membership of 620. The per capita tax was raised from 25 cents to 50 cents.

Fraternally yours,

D. W. LUBECK,

Grand Representative for the State of Washington.

The Grand Master then delivered his Annual Address.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Companions of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of the State of California:

It gives me great pleasure to extend a cordial welcome to the Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions, to all visiting companions, and to the officers and members of this Grand Council, to this our forty-seventh annual assembly.

May we be guided aright in all our deliberations, and the results thereof redound to the good of our beloved Order.

At our last Assembly we met in the Grand Old Temple, at one time considered the finest building in the West, and all about us were edifices the pride of one of the most unique and famous cities of the world. Everything gave evidence of stability and prosperity. How suddenly all was changed! The forces of nature working within the breast of Mother Earth created a convulsion that will go down in history as one of the most destructive earthquakes ever known. The power of fire was exhibited in greater and more tremendous effects than human sight had ever witnessed. But what a revelation this calamity was the opportunity, of the warmth and extent of fraternal sentiment in the hearts of men! The afflicted city became the center of thought for a world, and from every direction came the aid so much needed. I take this opportunity to thank, in the name of this Grand Council, all Royal and Select Masters, who contributed as individuals, or as organizations, to the help of the needy of this suffering city. To-day we learn another lesson, as we look about us, that the Great Architect of the Universe has implanted in the breast

of man an indomitable spirit, before which all obstacles and difficulties disappear. We find now the debris cleared away and the foundations already laid for a greater and more magnificent San Francisco.

The recurrence of this annual event naturally reminds us that the years are fleeting; it is, therefore, delightful to know that so many of the dear companions who have labored so zealously in behalf of the Cryptic Rite for these many years are still spared to benefit us all by their wisdom, and add to our pleasure by their presence.

Alas, we must mourn the departure of many companions, earnest in the work of our own and other Jurisdictions. The report of the Grand Recorder will present the names, and the Committee on Necrology will give the proper recognition.

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL.

In accordance with the apparent wish of this Grand Council, I attended the Ninth Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States, at Boston, Mass., June 18th, 1906. Nearly all of the Grand Councils and Councils holding under the General Grand Council were represented, there being 129 members and delegates present. The Assembly was one of the largest ever held, and was very enjoyable and encouraging. A notable event was the presence of officers of Michigan Grand Council, which is now considering the desirability of coming into the General Grand Council fold.

An amendment of the constitution was adopted changing the dues from fifty cents for each chartered Council to two cents for each member borne upon the rolls. Provision was also made for paying the expenses of the General Grand Officers in attendance on the Triennials. Much sympathy was expressed for the Companions in San Francisco. Inquiries were made regarding Ill. Companion Orme, at one time a General Grand Officer. Ill. Companion Davies, so long in correspondence with Masons throughout the United States, and particularly as to Companion Pierce, who served this Grand Council vigorously for many years as Grand Master, and who is everywhere recognized as the Prince of California Masons.

The Assembly met in the Corinthian Hall of the Masonic Temple, a magnificent hall, in a grand building, in a historic city. The 17th day of June was the anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill. This date is always celebrated by appropriate ceremonies. At this time, coming on the Sabbath, the 18th was substituted, and on the morning of the day of the General Assembly I was forcibly reminded of the great events which had taken place in the vicinity of the Temple where we met. I was also reminded that among the men who bravely

made American Independence possible by their bold stand at Bunker Hill the most prominent were earnest workers in the Masonic Order. The Companions of Boston made all things delightful, the day quickly passed, but its memory will ever be fragrant. The remainder of the week was charmingly spent in attendance upon the General Grand Chapter, in company with M. E. Companion J. F. Hughes, and the many social events prepared by the Boston and visiting Companions.

VISITATIONS.

Without seeking to apologize, I may say that many reasons have prevented official visitations upon all the Councils. When at home, I have had the pleasure of attending my own Council, Pasadena No. 16, where the Grand Master has always been cordially received. Los Angeles No. 11 is, to me, a home Council also, as for some time my membership was in that body, and the officers and companions are all my personal friends. This Council I visited several times. Officially, on the evening of March 5th, 1907, when the degrees of Royal and Select Master were finely conferred. I wish all of our Councils were as zealous as No. 11. On February 26, 1907, I visited Santa Ana Council No. 14, and a good number of bright and enthusiastic Companions were in attendance. Here also the work of the R. and S. M. was finely rendered. Other visitations planned were prevented by uncertainty of train service. In company with M. E. Grand High Priest Hughes I visited San Bernardino Chapter on March 8th, and Riverside Chapter March 9th, 1907. At the former place I met representatives from Redlands Chapter. I believe the time is ripe for the organization of Councils in at least two of these cities. San Diego and Long Beach will, I trust, soon desire the institution of Councils. Certainly when the Cryptic Rite is once understood and appreciated it takes a high place in the Masonic family. I believe we shall have a marked increase in the number of Councils and the membership during the next few years.

STATE OF THE ORDER.

The increase in membership this year is not large, but the Councils are generally in good condition. I have not been called upon for decisions, and am satisfied that harmony prevails among the Companions.

GRAND LECTURER.

Our Grand Lecturer, Ill. Comp. Henry Ascroft, has done much during the year to strengthen and encourage the Councils. I recommend that an appropriation be made in recognition of his services.

CONCLUSION.

How quickly a year passes! One year ago, appreciating the high honor conferred upon me by this Grand Council, I looked forward to large accomplishment for the Cryptic Rite in this jurisdiction. Now, that I am about to lay down the authority conferred upon me, it seems the year has gone by with little space for self-congratulation. The courtesy and kindness of the members of this Grand Council and of all the Companions will never be forgotten. My hope is that greater activity will show how much I have enjoyed your favor.

"I shall not pass this way again,
But far beyond earth's where and when
May I look back along a road
Where on both sides good seed I sowed.

I shall not pass this way again,
May wisdom guide my tongue and pen,
And Love be mine that so I may
Plant roses all along the way.

I shall not pass this way again,
May I be courteous to men,
Faithful to friends, true to my God,
A fragrance on the path I trod."

C. J. WILLETT,
Grand Master.

The Address was listened to attentively and at its conclusion the members expressed their appreciation and approval of the sentiments voiced by our Most Illustrious Grand Master, in enthusiastic applause.

On motion of Companion Franklin H. Day, duly seconded, the Address was referred to a Special Committee of Three; and the R. I. Deputy Grand Master named as such Committee Companions William Monroe Petrie, George Penlington and W. Frank Pierce.

The Annual Reports of the Grand Recorder, Grand Treasurer and Grand Lecturer were then presented, read and also referred to the Special Committee on Grand Master's Address, except so much thereof as refers to finance, that portion of said reports to go to the Finance Committee.

GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER AND COMPANIONS—In accordance with our Constitution and Regulations I present my report of the transactions of the Grand Recorder's office for the year ending with this the Forty-seventh Annual Assembly, with a recapitulation of the work done by the Councils of this jurisdiction from January 31st, 1906, to and including January 31st, 1907.

The issue of the Journal of Proceedings of the last Assembly was delayed for some months, owing to conditions growing out of the late terrible disaster which befell San Francisco. All of the Grand Council records, returns and papers of every description were totally destroyed. As soon as the annual reports could be duplicated and reports rewritten the Proceedings were published and distributed as heretofore, viz: One copy to each Grand and Past Grand Officer, one to each Representative to and from this Grand Jurisdiction, three copies to each Grand Council with which we are in communication, and four copies to each of our Constituent Councils.

Many Illustrious Companions both in California and other Jurisdictions noted with regret the absence of the Report of the Committee on Correspondence, Most Illustrious Companion James Bestor Merritt. The copy was left where it was thought to be perfectly safe, in the office of Brother George Johnson, but was finally destroyed in the fire that consumed our Temple; and owing to ill-health and pressure of private affairs Companion Merritt could not spare the time to devote to its reproduction.

The Jewels and Paraphernalia of Grand Council have been replaced, and are submitted at this Assembly for your inspection and approval.

I think it fitting to call your attention at this time to the absence of Past Grand Master, Most Illustrious Companion Powell Samuel Lawson, who passed to his final rest December 30th of last year at his home in Sacramento; and a few days ago we were again startled by the unexpected news of the death of our friend and Companion John William Rock, Grand Master of this Grand Council in 1882, and one who rarely missed attending its annual Assemblies; he was also a resident of Sacramento and passed away at that place.

"Sleep on, ye dead, and when that sleep
  Becomes our portion, too,
May others, calling up the past,
  Speak well of us as we of you."

The receipts of the office since the date of my last report have been:

For Annual Dues from—

Santa Cruz Council No. 17	$ 21 00
Gateway Council No. 13	36 50
Stockton Council No. 10	43 00
California Council No. 2	179 50
Marysville Council No. 3	23 50
Sacramento Council No. 1	113 00
Oakland Council No. 12	173 50
Fresno Council No. 18	27 00
Santa Ana Council No. 14	52 00
Helena Council No. 9	26 00
Sonora Council No. 5	44 50
Ventura Council No. 15	24 50
Shasta Council No. 6	20 00
Los Angeles Council No. 11	289 50
Pasadena Council No. 16	34 00
	$1,107 50
For Insurance Furniture, etc., Grand Recorder's office	950 00
For office rent April 19th to April 30th, 1906, inclusive (returned)	2 00
	$2,059 50

All of which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer.

Interest on deposits as reported by Grand Treasurer	65 99
Total receipts Grand Council	$2,125 49

I have also received for the relief of Companions rendered destitute and in need of assistance as a result of the earthquake and fire of April last, the following amounts:

Other Jurisdictions—

May 3, 1906.	From the Grand Council of Colorado, per C. J. Willett, Grand Master California	$ 100 00
May 14, 1906.	From the Grand Council of Georgia	25 00
May 14, 1906.	From Denver Council No. 1, per Gr. Recorder Ernest L. Foster	40 00
Total		$ 165 00

This Jurisdiction—

May 12, 1906.	From Santa Cruz Council No. 17	$ 20 00
May 17, 1906.	From Pasadena Council No. 16	25 00
May 21, 1906.	From Gateway Council No. 13	50 00
		$260 00

Receipt of the several amounts was acknowledged in each instance with the assurance that the money would be applied strictly to the relief of distressed Companions; up to the present time no occasion has presented itself to dispose of any portion of this fund, and it is for this Grand Council to say what disposition shall be made of it. The $260 is now on deposit with the Bank of Alameda.

An abstract of the work of our Constituent Councils for the year now closed follows:

Number of Councils	18	
Number of Councils working	15	
Number of Councils making returns	15	
Greeted during the year		104
Affiliated		2
Restored		10
		116
Withdrawn	14	
Excluded	4	
Suspended, non-payment of dues	26	
Expelled	1	
Died	19	64
Gain		52

All of which is respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. DAVIES,
Grand Recorder.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:

The undersigned respectfully submits the following statement of receipts and disbursements of the Grand Treasurer since the last Annual Assembly—

FRANKLIN H. DAY, GRAND TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE GRAND COUNCIL, R. & S. M. OF CALIFORNIA.

1906.			
April 17.	To balance cash on hand		$2,383 91
July 13.	Received from Grand Recorder	$ 63 75	
Aug. 31.	Received from Grand Recorder	42 00	
Dec. 5.	Received from Grand Recorder	216 75	
1907.			
Feb. 28.	Received from Grand Recorder	1,004 50	
April 8.	Received from Grand Recorder	732 50	
			$2,059 50
1906.			
June 30.	To dividend on deposit in S. F. Savings Union	$ 28 17	

Dec. 31. To dividend on deposit in S. F. Savings Union	37 82	
		65 99
Total receipts		$4,509 40
Paid Encinal Publishing Co., sundry printing..$....	13 55	
" Royal Insurance Co., premium on policies....	30 30	
" Samuel D. Mayer, services as Grand Organist.	7 50	
" George W. Perkins, services as Grand Sentinel.	7 50	
" Postage stamps for Grand Recorder's office....	25 00	
" Remington Typewriter Co., Council's share in No. 7 machine and box of paper	17 75	
" Moise-Klinkner Co., seal press, cuts for letter-heads, and rubber stamps	30 50	
" George H. Fuller Desk Co., sectional book cases	24 00	
" Fuller-Craig Desk Co., desk, typewriter stand and chairs	10 50	
" Grand Council dues to General Grand Council..	7 50	
" Frank Eastman Co., sundry printing	37 75	
" Shannon-Conmy Printing Co., sundry printing.	88 25	
" Thos. A. Davies, Council Monitors, election certificates and General Grand Council Rituals	33 75	
" Charles J. Willett, expenses to General Grand Council	185 00	
" Forbes-Staley Co., sundry printing	8 00	
" Account book for Grand Treasurer	1 20	
" Walter N. Brunt Co., printing 500 copies Proceedings 1906, and sundries	262 00	
" H. S. Crocker Co., Council's share letter press.	1 30	
" A. J. Johnston Co., account books for Grand Recorder's office	14 50	
" Thos. A. Davies, sundry office expenses for year ending April 1, 1907	16 90	
" Thos. A. Davies, salary as Grand Recorder....	125 00	
" Mrs. K. McKune, rent, lights, fuel, and care of office one year to May 1, 1907	60 00	
		$1,007 75
1907. April 15. Balance in hands of Grand Treasurer (on deposit in S. F. Savings Union)		$3,501 65

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN H. DAY
Grand Treasurer.

GRAND LECTURER'S REPORT.

To the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of California:

ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANIONS—Considering the untoward events; the unsettled and unsatisfactory condition of things generally throughout this Jurisdiction since our last Convocation; the progress achieved in Council Work is gratifying, encouraging and assuredly in the ascendant. Moreover, I am proud to report (that in a general sense) prosperity and harmony prevail wherever I have had the good fortune to visit, my only regret being my inability to extend my visitations.

Some unfinished work in the younger Councils, together with contemplated new organizations, await only a further time and energy to develope long strides in the interest and welfare of Cryptic Masonry.

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL NO. 2

September 15, 1906, an unusual number of Candidates were impatiently anxious for admission to the Secret Vault of California Council No. 2; yet we were practically unable to comply with their request, until Santa Cruz Council No. 17, equipped with the necessary working tools, paraphernalia and Council Hall, generously responded with their entire outfit. Companions of Santa Cruz having also several Candidates "en route" we joined issues with our Sister Council on this special occasion, resulting in a "real good time," and also more applicants for admission to the charmed circle. Incidentally I would mention that the Companions of California Council made an "Outing" of the trip to Santa Cruz, accompanied by the immediate members only of their families; leaving San Francisco Saturday morning; Ceremonies of the Companions in the evening, whilst Ladies of Santa Cruz entertained socially those of San Francisco in the Sea Beach Hotel quarters. Sunday, leisure and drive in the suburbs, returning to San Francisco Monday; being in lieu of the annual entertainment extended to our ladies, who deemed the change of programme infinitely preferable to late hours and electric lights. In connection with this I would respectfully suggest that a little more attention given to the social feature in the several Councils would undoubtedly augment their numbers, lighten the monotony of routine work, and materially benefit the Companions in every respect.

GATEWAY COUNCIL NO. 13

October 20, 1906, had a pleasant visit in Gateway Council No. 13; found things gliding along in the even tenor of their way; in fact, taking all in all, better than could be expected, affording another proof that 13 is a lucky number.

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL NO. 11

March 4, 1907, made an earnest and strenuous attempt to fulfill an engagement to visit Los Angeles Council, and signally failed to do so on time, owing to a breach of contract with the Southern Pacific Company.

In conclusion, I beg to reassure this Grand Council, in the perspective progress in this endearing field of labor; and for the success attained and blessings received, we trust we are correspondingly grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ASCROFT,
Grand Lecturer.

M. I. Companion James Bestor Merritt of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, announced that the report of the Committee was prepared and in the hands of the Grand Recorder. It was regularly moved and seconded that the reading of the report be dispensed with and that the same be published in the Journal of Proceedings of this Annual Assembly. It was so ordered.

The Special Committee on Grand Master's Address presented its report as follows:

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:

In obedience to your directions, your Committee has reviewed the Address of the *M. I.* Grand Master, and we congratulate the Grand Council upon the harmonious and prosperous condition of the Cryptic Rite in our Jurisdiction, and in consequence the absence of all matters of controversy and appeal to our executive head for decision.

The interest of our Grand Master in Cryptic Masonry, as shown by his visitations to the General Grand Council and also to Councils of this Jurisdiction, we commend; and for his instructive and interesting report of those visitations he deserves the kind remembrance of all interested in the advancement of the Degrees of Royal, Select and Super Excellent Masters.

We heartily endorse his recommendation that an appropriation be made in recognition of the services of our Grand Lecturer, *Ill.* Companion Henry Ascroft, and suggest that said recommendation be referred to the Finance Committee for its approval.

We congratulate our Grand Master, whose tenure of office, even under the adverse circumstances resulting from the terrible disaster of one year ago, has been productive of increased interest and a steady substantial growth of the Order in our Jurisdiction. We

appreciate his efforts on behalf of this Grand Council, assure him of a hearty welcome upon all future visitations.

The reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder present the transactions of their respective offices, as required by the Constitution, in their usual concise and comprehensive manner, and we tender them the sincere thanks of this Grand Body for their efficient service.

The Grand Lecturer's report, also referred to this Committee, we think deserves more than passing notice. His earnest efforts to promote the welfare of the Councils of the Jurisdiction, being ready and willing at all times to assist them to a more thorough knowledge and appreciation of the Rituals, will undoubtedly prove of great benefit to the Rite in California.

We are in thorough accord with his suggestion that if more attention were given to the social features in the Councils an era of increased prosperity would result.

You have our sincere thanks, Companion Ascroft, for your unselfish and untiring devotion to the cause of Masonry; not only of the members of the Crptic Rite, but of all, irrespective of their affiliations. May we long have the pleasure of your genial companionship and your advice and assistance in promoting the interests of our beloved Order.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. MONROE PETRIE,
GEORGE PENLINGTON,
W. FRANK PIERCE,
Committee.

The Report was concurred in and the reference ordered made as recommended by the Committee.

On motion of Companion James Bestor Merritt, Grand Council proceeded to the election of its Officers for the ensuing year; Companions John Francis Hughes and Henry Ascroft were appointed as Tellers, and the election held, resulting as follows:

*M:.I:.*CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, Grand Master.
*R:.I:.*WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR, Deputy Grand Master.
*R:.I:.*WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY, Grand Principal Cond. of Work.
*R:.I:.*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, Grand Treasurer.
*R:.I:.*THOMAS ABRAHAM DAVIES, Grand Recorder.

The Grand Master then announced the following appointments:

*R:.I:.*THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT, Grand Chaplain.
*R:.I:.*HENRY ASCROFT, Grand Lecturer.

*R:.I:.*Thompson Wilson Drullard, Grand Captain of Guard.
*R:.I:.*Benjamin Brooks Cartwright, Grand Conductor of Council.
*R:.I:.*Joseph Abner Courter, Grand Steward.
*Ill:.*Samuel David Mayer, Grand Organist.
*Ill:.*George Washington Perkins, Grand Sentinel.

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*M:.I:.*Comp. James Bestor Merritt, Committee on Fraternal Correspondence.

The Officers elect and appointed were then installed by M. I. Companion Charles Joseph Willett, assisted by R. I. Henry Ascroft, acting as Master of Ceremonies, and due proclamation made thereof.

On motion of Companion Benjamin Brooks Cartwright, Grand Council was then called off until 1:30 P. M.

Mission Masonic Hall, April 15th, 1:30 P. M.

The Grand Council called on at 1:30 P. M., the Grand Master presiding.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances presented the following report:

To the Grand Council of the State of California:

Your Committee has made diligent search, but neither they nor the events of to-day have brought to light anything in the nature of a grievance on the part of any member of our Royal Craft. Peace and harmony prevail throughout the Jurisdiction. We congratulate the Grand Council upon the favorable conditions existing at this time, and sincerely hope that at all future Assemblies of this Grand Body, Companions chosen to act as such Committee may find the work as pleasant, and as easily accomplished, with the same satisfactory results.

Respectfully submitted,

James Bestor Merritt,
James Ellsworth Thompson,
William Henry Gaynor,
Committee.

The Report was ordered placed of record and the Committee discharged.

The Committees on Jurisprudence and New Councils reported no business before them and were discharged.

The Regular Committee on Finance and Returns, also the Special Committee appointed to audit the books and accounts.

of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder, then presented their Reports, which were concurred in, the recommendations severally adopted and the appropriations ordered made as suggested by the Committees.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND RETURNS.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:

ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANIONS—We, the undersigned, your Committee on Finance and Returns, find the report of the Grand Recorder correct, and recommend that the amount of $95.00, contributed by the Councils of this Jurisdiction for the relief of the Order in San Francisco, and which remains unexpended, be returned to them, respectively, in the proportion in which it was contributed. Also that the sum of $165.00, donated by other Jurisdictions, be turned over to the Grand Master of the State, to be used for the benefit of distressed members of the Fraternity.

We also recommend that the sum of $75.00 be turned over to the retiring Grand Master to cover the balance of his expenditures for visitations, and attendance on the Grand Council at Boston, Massachusetts.

This leaves a balance of $90.00 in the appropriations for said purposes, and we recommend that $50.00 of said $90.00 be turned over to the Grand Lecturer to cover his expenses during the past year, and that the remaining $40.00 become part of the funds of this Grand Council.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT,
EDWARD HARRISON MORGAN,
CHARLES SHERMAN ANDERSON,
Committee.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO AUDIT BOOKS AND ACCOUNTS OF GRAND TREASURER AND GRAND RECORDER.

To the M:.Ill:.Grand Council of California:

Your Committee has examined the books of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder and find them correct and kept in accordance with the Regulations of the Grand Council.

The cash balance of $3,501.65, as reported by the Grand Treasurer, is on deposit with the San Francisco Savings Union.

We recommend the following appropriations to cover the expenses of Grand Council for the ensuing year:

For printing journal of the present Assembly	$ 200 00
For expenses of Grand Master's visitations	150 00
For Grand Recorder's salary	125 00
For replacing Jewels, Aprons and Paraphernalia, Grand Council	535 50
For contingent expenses of Grand Recorder	50 00
For premium insurance on Jewels, Paraphernalia, etc	6 40
For rent of Grand Recorder's office	60 00
For premium insurance on office furniture, library, etc	20 60
For Committee on Correspondence	50 00
For rent Mission Hall, Forty-seventh Annual Assembly	20 00
For services of Grand Organist	7 50
For Lunch for members Grand Council, April 15, 1907	25 00
For services of Grand Sentinel	7 50
	$1,257 50

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES B. MERRITT,
HENRY ASCROFT,
GEORGE PENLINGTON,
Committee.

On motion of R. I. Companion Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt, the thanks of Grand Council were returned to The Mission Masonic Hall Association for considerate and courteous treatment at this Assembly; also to Companion James E. Parmelee and wife for the excellent lunch served to members during the session.

After a splendid exemplification of the Work in the Royal, Select and Super Excellent Degress by California Council No. 2, which was thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed by all pre-

sent, and no further business appearing, the minutes of the Assembly were read, approved and Grand Council closed in Ample Form.

A true copy of the Proceedings of the Forty-seventh Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters held in Mission Masonic Hall, San Francisco, April 15th, 1907.

Witness my signature, with the Seal of our Grand Council, and the attestation thereunto of our Grand Recorder.

C. W. Norton

Grand Master.

Attest:

Thos. A. Davis

Grand Recorder.

APPENDICES

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Necrology

"From life to dust and dust to life
We trace the orbit of mankind;
From grief to joy and joy to grief
Find passion flowers with thorns entwined."

"Death's well-worn scythe shall gather all,
With sheaves from all the seeds they've sown;
But each will hear the reaper's call—
How well or ill God's work was done."

In Memoriam

Most Illustrious Companion

Powell Samuel Lawson

Born in New York City, Aug 17, 1829.

Died at his home in Sacramento, California, December 30th, 1906, aged 77 years.

Past Master of Sacramento Lodge No. 40, F. and A. M.

Past High Priest of Sacramento Chapter No. 3, R. A. M.

Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Sacramento Council No. 1, R. and S. M.

Past Commander of Sacramento Commandery No. 2, K. T.

Grand Master of the Grand Council R. and S. M. of California in 1874.

"The good deeds left behind him
Will form a chain to bind him
To us who linger here;
And oh! the love of knowing
The good he's sown is growing,
And the harvest from his sowing
Increases with each year."

In Memoriam

Most Illustrious Companion

John William Rock

Born in New York City in 1835.

Died at his home in Sacramento, California, April 10th, 1907, aged 72 years.

Past Master of Union Lodge No. 58, F. and A. M., located at Sacramento.

Past High Priest of Sacramento Chapter No. 3, R. A. M.

Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Sacramento Council No. 1, R. and S. M.

Past Commander of Sacramento Commandery No. 2, K. T.

Grand Master of the Grand Council R. and S. M. of California in 1882.

"Life's labor done;
Serenely to his final rest he passed;
While the soft memories of his virtues yet
Linger like sunlight hues, when
That bright orb has set."

Our Jurisdiction also mourns the loss of the following named Companions, who have passed away during the year:

Sacramento Council No. 1.

JAMES GILLILAND DAVIS.....May 4, 1906
ANTHONY HUBBS .....April 4, 1906
ALFRED J. JOHNSTON.....Dec. 11, 1906
PRESSLEY THOMAS JOHNSTON.....July 14, 1906
LAMARTINE WILSON YOUNG.....Sept. 12, 1906

California Council No. 2.

SAMUEL WEEKS HAUXHURST.....Dec. 1, 1906
HENRY EDWARD HIGHTON.....Jan. 3, 1907

Marysville Council No. 3.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARPENTER.....Dec. 6, 1906

Sonora Council No. 5.

ALONZO COLBY .....Jan. 4, 1907
WILLIAM ETHELBERT EMERY.....Jan. 4, 1907

Los Angeles Council No. 11.

JAMES ALEXANDER BUCHANAN.....Nov. 25 1906
WILLIAM CAMPBELL FISH.....Sept. 5, 1906
LAUREN THOMAS HOLLAND.....Mar. 6, 1906
ANDREW NICHOLLS .....Feb. 26, 1906

Oakland Council No. 12.

WILLIAM EDWARD LOY .....July 26, 1906
DANIEL HARRY WHITLATCH.....July 1, 1906

Pasadena Council No. 16.

LEONARD PERRIN .....Jan. 20, 1906

Santa Cruz Council No. 17.

JOHN GEORGE SCHROEDER.....July 9, 1906

Since the publication of our last report Memorials have been received from the Sister Grand Councils of Colorado, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire containing the names of eight Illustrious Companions who have answered the last summons; full of years, with life's duty well done, they have passed to the reward which awaits all who faithfully do their best in this world.

"The realm of death seems an enemy's country to most men, on whose shores they are driven, as by stress of weather. To the wise man it is the desired port where he moors his bark gladly, as in some quiet haven of the fortunate isles; it is the golden West, into which his sun sinks, and sinking, casts back a glory upon the leaden cloud-wrack which had darkly besieged his day."—James Russell Lowell.

From—

Colorado—Most Illustrious Companion JOHN HUMPHREYS, born at Cincinnati, Ohio, died Wednesday, April 25th, 1906, at 6:30 P. M. He was Grand Master of the Grand Council of Colorado in the year 1898.

Massachusetts—Rev. THOMAS ELLIOTT ST. JOHN, A. M., Most Illustrious Grand Master 1873-1875, born March 2, 1831, died February 25, 1906.

Right Illustrious JAMES UTLEY, Deputy Grand Master, born July 13th, 1840, died March 15th, 1907.

Right Illustrious JAMES TAYLOR, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work in 1896, born October 20th, 1825, died February 23d, 1907.

Right Illustrious CHARLES M. AVERY, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work 1874-1875, born February 12th, 1832, died January 22d, 1906.

Right Illustrious Companion DAVID L. HODGES, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work 1888, born December 11th, 1841, died April 14th, 1906.

Right Illustrious CHARLES A. SKINNER, D. D., Grand Chaplain in 1891-1906, born April 19th, 1824, died April 22d, 1906.

New Hampshire—Companion ALBERT SCRIPTURE WAIT, Thrice Illustrious Master of Columbian Council in 1882, died at his home in Newport, New Hampshire, October 7th, 1906. The services were conducted by Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 15, of Newport, the officers and members of the Grand Council attending in a body.

"When the last feeble step has been taken,
And the gates of the Lodge shall appear,
And the beautiful songs of the Angels
Float out on our listening ear,
Then all that now seems mysterious,
Will be plain and clear as the day,
And the toils of the road will seem nothing,
When we get to the end of the way."

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. DAVIES,

For the Committee on Necrology.

RETURNS OF COUNCILS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

Grand Council of California

A. D. 1907, A. Dep. 2907.

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL, No. 1

SACRAMENTO, SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, last Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Joseph Abner Courter, *T. I. M.*
James Francis Lyon, *D. I. M.*
John McIndeor, *P. C. W.*
William Monroe Petrie, *Treasurer.*
James Ellsworth Thompson, *Recorder.*
August Frederick Lehrman, *C. of Guard.*
William Hewson Davis, *Conductor.*
Richard Alderson, *Steward.*
Cephas Charles Olney, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Monroe Petrie, *P. G. M.*
John William Rock, *P. G. M.*
William Hewson Davis, *P. G. M.*
Harry Ingham
Richard Vaughn
Richard Palmer Burr
John Alexander Gardiner
David Farr
Louis Cyrus Schindler
William Alexander January
Charles Richard Goss
James Ellsworth Thompson
George Dunn
Daniel Hyman
Thomas Joseph Hesson
Theodore Jones Milliken
William Ohmer Girardey
Egbert Alfred Brown

SELECT MASTERS.

Alexander, Robert
Alltucker, Henry
Anderson, Joseph Maurice
Baker, Alfred Septimus
Baldwin, William Hedges
Barton, Charles Thomas
Bassett, William Walter
Bassett, George Combs
Bates, Hugh Roland
Baughman, Noble Hanry

Bell, Henry Clay
Bittancourt, Thomas Maria
Beesley, Charles Henry
Block, Maurice
Book, Franklin Weaver
Booth, Albert Porch
Boyd, Joseph Charles
Bragg, Charles Lourin
Breuner, John
Breuner, Louis Frederick
Burgess, Alfred Llewellyn
Burnham, James Henry
Camp, James Glasby
Carlson, Charles Alfred
Carroll, Edgar Barclay
Caselli, Ansono
Champlin, Nelson
Chapman, George Warren
Chrisman, Elmer Judson
Church, William Smithers
Clark, George Harvey
Clauss, John
Clemons, William Strong
Cohn, Edward Francis
Cook, George Nesbitt
Cooledge, Isaac Baldwin
Coppersmith, Michael Thomas
Cothrin, William Kip
Cox, Thomas Jones
Curtis, William Albert
Cuthbert, William Williams
De Coe, Culver Adam
Denson, Samuel Crawford
Derman, George Louis
Dierssen, George Ernest August
Douglas, William Wallace
Dreyer, Rasmus Peter Nielson
Duden, Ellsworth Frederick
Dunbar, Marcus William
Feldhusen, John Henry
Folger, Alfred Gilbert
Forney, Henry Hinkle
Fox, Thomas
Foye, William Robinson Smith
Frahm, Claus
Frommelt, Hugo
Gardiner, Charles Francis
Gerber, William Emil
Gett, William Andrew
Gillis, Dugald
Gray, Frank Livingstone
Gray, Arthur Irvine
Guthrie, John William
Hale, Evert Wilbern
Hale, Marshal, Jr.
Hale, Prentiss Cobb
Hall, Thomas Bertram
Hall, Harry William
Hamilton, William Brown
Hammer, Mosheim Schumaker
Harper, Horatio Thomas
Harvey, Edwin Henry
Hatch, Wilber Mark
Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette
Haynes, Edward
Heilbron, Adolph
Heilbron, Henry August
Heintzelman, Taylor Washington
Heisen, Charles, Jr.
Heitman, John Henry
Herzog, Philip
Hoffman, Daniel Webster
Hollister, Charles Edwin
Hoover, Benjamin Van Zandt
Hopkins, Edwin Carmi
Ilgner, Charles William
Jackson, William Franklin
Johnson, Frank Taylor
Johnson, Hiram Warren
Johnson, Philip
Johnson, Israel Joseph
Johnson, Howard Kennedy
Jordan, Leander Richard
Kercheval, Howard Douglas
Ketcham, Marvin Alonzo
Kiesel, Frederick William
Kirby, William Don
Kimbrough, Richard Oscar
Kleinsorge, Henry Emil
Kleinsorge, William Edward

Klune, John Bernhard
Knights, William Durrant
Knights, William Rudd
Knox, William Frederick
Lane, George William
Lawson, Walter Brokaw
Levison, Jacob
Lightner, Bonus
Little, Christopher
Luce, John Coachman
Marzen, Joseph, Jr.
Maslin, Prentiss
Mathews, Charles James
McCandless, George Lindley
McEntyre, Dan Hugh
McKee, Edwin Hervey
McKee, James Anderson
McLaughlin, William
McMartin, John Alexander
McMaster, James Curtin
Meister, August
Meister, George Albert
Meyer, Johann Gerhard
Menke, Anton
Miller, Dwight Henry
Molter, Jacob Phillip
Morrison, James Mathew
Morton, Charles Wardle
Nichols, Arthur Lombard
Noack, Charles John
Ochsner, John
O'Neil, James
Peck, Nelson Stanley
Perkins, Charles Calley
Peterson, William Frederick
Phillips, Charles Avery
Phipps, Charles Edward
Pike, John Elias Tucker
Platt, Philemon Eli
Pope, Samuel, Jr.
Prouty, William Harrison
Putnam, George Prescott
Randle, George Nelson
Read, Herbert Alfred James
Rego, Edward Sunderland
Reid, Thomas Benton
Rideout, Benjamin Norman
Root, Charles Albert
Royster, William Alexander
Schadt, Frederick William
Scheunert, Carl Emil
Schmid, Emil
Schroth, John George
Scott, Thomas James
Sheldon, William Chauncey
Shonefelt, William Domer
Simmonds, Willam Shapel
Smith, Benjamin
Smith, Thomas
Springsted, Ernest Willard
Staunton, Frederick William
Stephenson, William Albert
Stephenson, Harley Howard
Stevenson, Henry Llewellyn
Steffens, Joseph
Steinman, Bernard Ulmer
Stober, Frederick Conrad
Stoll, Benjamin Franklin
Sweany, John
Teichert, Adolph
Towle, Arthur Warren
Tozer, Charles Walter
Ulp, Alfred
Van Fleet, William Carey
Vermilya, Abram John
Vaughn, Edward
Wachhorst, Eugene Stuart
Walther, Charles Frederick
Welch, Benjamin
Welch, George Drake
Weil, Edward Adolph
White, George Amos
White, John Lysander
Wiard, William Frederick
Williams, Austin Daniel
Willis, Evander Berry
Winterburn, George Howard
Wood, William
Wood, Thomas
Wood, Henry Clay

Woods, Victor Hugo
Woodburn, Charles Gabriel
Woodward, George Allen
Wright, Charles Edward
Yardley, Herbert Edward
Young, John Nelles—220

WITHDRAWN.

Wilbur Forrest George
Henry Ewalt McCune—2

DIED.

Davis, James Gilliland
Hubbs, Anthony
Lawson, Powell Samuel
Johnston, Alfred J.
Johnston, Pressley Thomas
Young, Lamartine Wilson—6

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	225	Withdrawn	2
Greeted	3—228	Died	6
		Now borne upon the roll	220—228

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL, No. 2

SAN FRANCISCO, SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Henry Ascroft, *T. I. M.*
Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt, *D. I. M.*
George Penlington, *P. C. W.*
Charles Lord Field, *Treasurer.*
Franklin Henry Day, *Recorder.*
Michael John Kelley, *C. of Guard.*
Joseph Francis Halloran, *Conductor.*
Henry Thompson, *Steward.*
Samuel David Mayer, *Organist.*
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George Penlington, *P. G. M.*
Henry Ascroft, *P. G. M.*
Robert Ash, *P. G. M.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Aigeltinger, Edward Hugo
Aitken, John R.
Alexander, Joseph
Allen, Richard Spicer
Andres, George Samuel
Andrews, Edwin Harold
Andrews, Thomas P.
Armstrong, George Robert

Ayers, Clarence Warwick
Baker, Charles Henry
Barbier, Howard Frederic
Barstow, William Addison
Bassett, Charles Follen
Bauer, Adolph Charles
Bauer, Chris John
Bauer, George William
Baum, David Andrew
Baum, Simon
Behrens, Ludwig Philip
Benedict, Courtland Smith
Beretta, Caesar Louis
Berry, De Los Tracy
Berry, John Lafayette
Bingham, William Alexander
Black, Howard
Black, Marshall
Blackman, Ellis Aaron
Blackman, Morris Jacob
Blossom, Henry Eckford
Bohle, Alfred Frederick
Bohls, Henry
Bone, Charles
Bonney, Charles Sumner
Booth, Frank Edmund
Bragg, Robert
Braunschweiger, Edward
Bromley, George Tisdale
Browell, Jeremiah
Bruce, James Henderson
Brunings, John Henry
Bruns, Henry Frederick
Brunt, Walter Neat
Bugbee, Maxwell Greene
Bullock, John Henry
Buswell, William Francis
Caley, John
Callinan, William
Campbell, Walter Chauncey
Chamberlain, Philander Peregreen
Christian, Caesar
Clark, George Dickson
Cleve, Clarence Taylor
Cluness, William Ross
Coburn, Ira Winn
Collins, William Henry
Conlisk, Charles William
Cook, Joseph Wheeler
Cook, Morton Leon
Cox, Alexander Middleton
Crim, William Henry
Crocker, Henry Joseph
Crocker, William Henry
Cross, Charles Vernon
Cumback, William Elbert
Daggett, John Randolph
Davies, Llewellyn
Davies, Thomas Abraham
Davis, Burt Lincoln
Davis, Henry Harvey
Davis, Winfield Scott
Day, Thomas Henry
Decker, Charles William
De Lamare, Auguste Jacques
Dietterle, George
Dobbel, Charles Henry Louis
Dobler, Charles
Dodd, Willis Gorman
Dominguez, Richard Arthur
Dow, Edwin Tyson
Dragomanovich, Spiro S. G.
Dunn, James
Dunne, James Patrick
Durbrow, Ross Lewis
Easton, Daniel Elisha Foote
Easton, Wendell
Eckart, William Roberts
Eddy, Richard A.
Edwards, Hugh Pugh
Edwards, Thomas Clay
Edwards, William
Edwards, William Harvey
Eisner, Milton Sidney
Erdmann, Wm. George Berthold
Erlin, George Edwin
Eva, James Martyn
Eva, Samuel James
Everding, James Campbell
Ewart, David Fraser

Bell, Henry Clay
Bittancourt, Thomas Maria
Beesley, Charles Henry
Block, Maurice
Book, Franklin Weaver
Booth, Albert Porch
Boyd, Joseph Charles
Bragg, Charles Lourin
Breuner, John
Breuner, Louis Frederick
Burgess, Alfred Llewellyn
Burnham, James Henry
Camp, James Glasby
Carlson, Charles Alfred
Carroll, Edgar Barclay
Caselli, Ansono
Champlin, Nelson
Chapman, George Warren
Chrisman, Elmer Judson
Church, William Smithers
Clark, George Harvey
Clauss, John
Clemons, William Strong
Cohn, Edward Francis
Cook, George Nesbitt
Cooledge, Isaac Baldwin
Coppersmith, Michael Thomas
Cothrin, William Kip
Cox, Thomas Jones
Curtis, William Albert
Cuthbert, William Williams
De Coe, Culver Adam
Denson, Samuel Crawford
Derman, George Louis
Dierssen, George Ernest August
Douglas, William Wallace
Dreyer, Rasmus Peter Nielson
Duden, Ellsworth Frederick
Dunbar, Marcus William
Feldhusen, John Henry
Folger, Alfred Gilbert
Forney, Henry Hinkle
Fox, Thomas
Foye, William Robinson Smith
Frahm, Claus
Frommelt, Hugo
Gardiner, Charles Francis
Gerber, William Emil
Gett, William Andrew
Gillis, Dugald
Gray, Frank Livingstone
Gray, Arthur Irvine
Guthrie, John William
Hale, Evert Wilbern
Hale, Marshal, Jr.
Hale, Prentiss Cobb
Hall, Thomas Bertram
Hall, Harry William
Hamilton, William Brown
Hammer, Mosheim Schumaker
Harper, Horatio Thomas
Harvey, Edwin Henry
Hatch, Wilber Mark
Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette
Haynes, Edward
Heilbron, Adolph
Heilbron, Henry August
Heintzelman, Taylor Washington
Heisen, Charles, Jr.
Heitman, John Henry
Herzog, Philip
Hoffman, Daniel Webster
Hollister, Charles Edwin
Hoover, Benjamin Van Zandt
Hopkins, Edwin Carmi
Ilgner, Charles William
Jackson, William Franklin
Johnson, Frank Taylor
Johnson, Hiram Warren
Johnson, Philip
Johnson, Israel Joseph
Johnson, Howard Kennedy
Jordan, Leander Richard
Kercheval, Howard Douglas
Ketcham, Marvin Alonzo
Kiesel, Frederick William
Kirby, William Don
Kimbrough, Richard Oscar
Kleinsorge, Henry Emil
Kleinsorge, William Edward

Klune, John Bernhard
Knights, William Durrant
Knights, William Rudd
Knox, William Frederick
Lane, George William
Lawson, Walter Brokaw
Levison, Jacob
Lightner, Bonus
Little, Christopher
Luce, John Coachman
Marzen, Joseph, Jr.
Maslin, Prentiss
Mathews, Charles James
McCandless, George Lindley
McEntyre, Dan Hugh
McKee, Edwin Hervey
McKee, James Anderson
McLaughlin, William
McMartin, John Alexander
McMaster, James Curtin
Meister, August
Meister, George Albert
Meyer, Johann Gerhard
Menke, Anton
Miller, Dwight Henry
Molter, Jacob Phillip
Morrison, James Mathew
Morton, Charles Wardle
Nichols, Arthur Lombard
Noack, Charles John
Ochsner, John
O'Neil, James
Peck, Nelson Stanley
Perkins, Charles Calley
Peterson, William Frederick
Phillips, Charles Avery
Phipps, Charles Edward
Pike, John Elias Tucker
Platt, Philemon Eli
Pope, Samuel, Jr.
Prouty, William Harrison
Putnam, George Prescott
Randle, George Nelson
Read, Herbert Alfred James
Rego, Edward Sunderland
Reid, Thomas Benton
Rideout, Benjamin Norman
Root, Charles Albert
Royster, William Alexander
Schadt, Frederick William
Scheunert, Carl Emil
Schmid, Emil
Schroth, John George
Scott, Thomas James
Sheldon, William Chauncey
Shonefelt, William Domer
Simmonds, Willam Shapel
Smith, Benjamin
Smith, Thomas
Springsted, Ernest Willard
Staunton, Frederick William
Stephenson, William Albert
Stephenson, Harley Howard
Stevenson, Henry Llewellyn
Steffens, Joseph
Steinman, Bernard Ulmer
Stober, Frederick Conrad
Stoll, Benjamin Franklin
Sweany, John
Teichert, Adolph
Towle, Arthur Warren
Tozer, Charles Walter
Ulp, Alfred
Van Fleet, William Carey
Vermilya, Abram John
Vaughn, Edward
Wachhorst, Eugene Stuart
Walther, Charles Frederick
Welch, Benjamin
Welch, George Drake
Weil, Edward Adolph
White, George Amos
White, John Lysander
Wiard, William Frederick
Williams, Austin Daniel
Willis, Evander Berry
Winterburn, George Howard
Wood, William
Wood, Thomas
Wood, Henry Clay

Ferguson, Phineas Fanning
Fetz, Joseph, Jr.
Feudner, Martin Otto
Filmer, George
Filmer, William Parker
Flint, Thomas
Foster, Arthur William
Fox, Edwin Benton
Fraser, John P.
Frolich, Theodore
Fuller, William Henry
Garratt, Benjamin Franklin
Gehret, Frederick
Geilfuss, Carl
Getz, Marcus
Goldman, Max
Gordon, James Edward
Gould, Charles Walter
Grauerholz, Henry John
Graves, Nathan Brockett
Gray, John Hatfield
Gray, William Smith
Green, Charles Ernest
Gruenhagen, Charles Henry
Gruenhagen, Theodore Godlove
Haas, David Leopold
Hale, Reuben Brooks
Hall, Otho Norris
Hallett, Alonzo
Hammond, Samuel Chester
Hanselman, Andrew
Hansen, Frederick Ludwig
Hanson, William Henry
Harris, Marshall C.
Harris, Thomas Voel
Hassler, William Charles
Hatch, James Henry
Hawks, James Lawrence
Hellwig, Christian
Henning, Hans Theodore
Hoffman, Henry Nathaniel
Hopkins, Timothy
Horn, Bernard Jeremiah
Hubbard, Henry Calvin
Huested, Orson Justus
Huff, William Henry Routin
Humphreys, William Penn
Hutchings, Hiram Samuel
Isaacs, Edward Samuel
Jacobs, Albert
Jacobs, Albert Pocorny
Jellison, Benjamin Franklin
Jewett, George Albert
Johnson, Albert de Montfredy
Johnson, George
Johnson, Roosevelt
Jones, Edward Campbell
Keilus, Charles
Kent, Thaddeus Benning
Kern, Morris James
Kimball, Roy Thurston
King, Joseph Libbey
Kinne, Charles Mason
Kittredge, Ralph Bell
Klein, John Mathias
Koenig, Frank
Koenig, Freidrich H. W. D.
Kohler, Henry
Kramer, Louis George
Krieg, Anton
Landgrebe, Robert George
Laumeister, Gustave
Law, Hartland
Lawrence, William Babcock
Lee, John, Jr.
Lester, Henry Charles
Lewers, Robert
Lewis, William
Lippman, George W.
Long, Herbert Clifton
Lowell, Albert Carroll
Lucas, Walter Edward
Lyman, William Whittingham
Lynch, Henry Hudson
Lyon, William Henry
MacBain, John
Madison, Henry Bennett
Mangrum, Arthur Sherman

Mann, James Monroe
Manner, Charles Vogt
Manning Horatio Seymour
Mansfield, Joel Henry
Marquis, Ferdinand Phileas Canac
Marsh, John Alfred
Martell, Harry Gaylord
Marvin, Harvey Arrington
Maundrell, Harry
Mayo, Henry Browne
McAbee, Louis Francis
McCarty, James
McDougall, Charles Campbell
McKellar, Norman
McMillan, Robert
Meigs, Anson Woodman
Merralls, William Augustus
Metzner, Charles Francis
Meyer, Arthur
Meyers, John Jacob
Miller, Thurlow Spragge
Moebus, Fred Wm. Gustav
Monckton, Frank Daniel
Moore, Andrew
Morgan, Charles Augustus
Mouser, Silas Mercer
Muller, Louis
Mundwyler, John Jacob
Murdock, George Leonard
Murphy, Charles Henry
Myrson, Simon
Neuhaus, Christian Henry Fred
Neustadter, Louis William
Newhall, Edwin White
Newman, George Howard
Nicholas, Nahum
Niles, Edward Jackson
Nopander, Louis Nicholas
Noteware, Edward Washington
Nuttall, Hasalom
O'Connor, Edward Arthur
O'Connor, Joseph
Olsen, William
Otersen, Herman
Overgaard, Sòren Knudsen
Parker, Theodore Roosevelt
Patton, Charles Lewis
Payne, Warren Ritch
Peck, Philip
Pennington, George W.
Pennington, Thomas
Perine, George Mairs
Perkins, Samuel Henry
Perley, Albion Starbird
Phillips, William Rippard
Pike, Charles William
Poole, John Wesley
Price, William Edmund
Prince, Henry Gilman
Raabe, Frederick Otto
Rennie, William
Rice, Thomas Clark
Ridley, Arthur Ernest Brooke
Rieser, Edwin Oliver
Robinson, Thomas Braceland
Roeder, William Frederick
Ryan, Michael
Samter, Marks
Savage, Michael Joseph
Schetzel, Adolph George
Schmidt, Henry
Schmidt, Valentine
Schnee, Gustave
Schomer, George
Schreiber, Martin August W.
Schwab, Henry Frederick
Scott, Clarence Sydney
Scott, Henry Wilson
Seibel, Philipp
Sewell, Daniel Robert
Silverstein, Jacob
Siminoff, Morris
Smith, Harry Lewis
Smith, Lewis Warren
Smith, William Jacob
Sorensen, James A.
Soule, Arthur Calvin
Soule', William Lloyd Garrison

SONORA COUNCIL, No. 5

SONORA, TUOLUMNE COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS.

James Henriksen, *T. I. M.*
Thomas Henry Slator, *D. I. M.*
Elisha Tolman Gould, *P. C. W.*
Thomas Arthur Stiles Hender, *Treasurer.*
William Edwin Burden, *Recorder.*
Charles Henry Burden, *C. of Guard.*
Frank Albert Morgan, *Conductor.*
Harris James Coffill, *Steward.*
Abraham Barlow, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Eduard Keil, *P. G. M.*
Frank Wilson Street
Crittenden Hampton
William Lyman Hood

SELECT MASTERS.

Adair, Charles Francis
Allgewahr, George
Allgewahr, Louis
Arendt, Michael
Ball, Cary
Barton, Eugene Hamilton
Batten, John Henry
Beedle, Frederick Charles
Belli, Caesar Arthur
Belloni, Mark John Baptist
Blood, Harry Spaulding
Carmichael, Neil
Clough, Frederick Warren
Cooley, John
Cramer, Herman, Jr.
Driver, David Bakie
Eastman, William White
Eslisk, Charles
Engstrom, Charles Otto
Evans, Job Montgomery
Flanders, Harry S.
Fletcher, Albert Carolan
Fraser, Gregor Grant
Garland, Warren Nathaniel
Graebe, Alfred Eugene
Godfrey, Charles Homens
Howell, Harry John
Johns, Henry
Johns, Samuel Joseph
Johnson, Peter
Kennedy, Charles Thomas
Koch, William Alexander
Lagomarsino, James
Langford, James Terry
Littlefield, John Franklin
Loring, William Joseph
Madson, Arthur Gustav
Manuel, Mathew Henry
McLaren, Duncan Allen
Miller, John Jacob
Miller, Valentine William
Morgan, George Philip
Morgans, Morgan Philip
Nickerson, Ralph Byron
Nichols, Elmer Lincoln
Nicol, George Woodburn
Nuner, Charles Glover
Nuner, William Marble, Jr.

O'Connell, Charles Augustus
O'Connell, John Henry
Oliver, Dew Rodger
O'Brien, James Timothy
Paulsen, Hans Christian
Poe, Adam W.
Potts, Warren Charles
Preston, Howard Alvin
Rainville, Alfred Hercules
Ratz, Frederick Henry
Roberts, David E.
Rose, Warren
Sharwood, William
Scott, William Richard
Shine, John Henry
Smullen, Joseph Milton
Stratton, Daniel Edgar
Stuckey, Simon Filmore
Suess, Ignatz
Thompson, James Thomas
Thow, George
Tulloch, Charles Thomas
Vial, John
Wells, Frank Clinton
Wells, Thomas Washington
Wiemer, William
Witney, John Lorin
Wonderley, John Martin—89

WITHDRAWN.

Dan Edwin Williams—1

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Charles Domenick Fontana
Nils Ladefoged Knudsen
Tom Travis Lane
Carto Shelton Linsley
George Washington Morrow
Joseph Raggio
Charles Edward Street—7

DIED.

Alonzo Colby
William Ethelbert Emery—2

RECAPITULATION.

	Withdrawn..... 1
	Suspended N. P. D..... 7
	Died 2
On roll per last report.....99	Now borne upon the roll...89—99

SHASTA COUNCIL, No. 6

REDDING, SHASTA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Albert Frederick Ross, *T. I. M.*
Edward Sweeney, *D. I. M.*
John William Garden, *P. C. W.*
Charles Jacobson, *Treasurer.*
Adolph Bystle, *Recorder.*
Aldis I. Ashcraft, *C. of Guard.*
John Elkanah Hoyle, *Conductor.*
William Gillispie, *Steward.*
Francis Xavier Labonte, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Albert Frederick Ross

SELECT MASTERS.

Andrews, William
Beard, John Samuel
Boswell, William Alexander
Brown, Ancil Lycurgus
Cahoone, William Brower
Fish, William Andrew
Gardner, Elias Delevan
Garabrant, Frank H.
Hansen, James Dudley
Hawkins, Divine Jacharias
Hunt, William Broderick
Hoyle, Reuben
Hurst, Ferdinand
Lambson, Giles Hamman
Lowden, William Spencer
McCoy, Leo Lewis
McCrum, Benjamin
Murphy, Sylvanus Evert
Overmeyer, Charles Edwin
Prim, Franklin Pierce
Reynolds, John Edward
Richardson, James Lee
Rosland, Oscar O.
Rowles, James
Satterlee, Franklin Peck
Scranton, Jewett
Stephenson, John Nicholas
Strode, John Sale
Strode, George Crone
Teass, James Chester
Weil, Joseph—40

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report.....40 Now borne upon the roll.....40

HELENA COUNCIL, No. 9

HELENA, MONTANA.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Joseph J. Hindson, *T. I. M.*
James F. McNamee, *D. I. M.*
Francis Doremus Jones, *P. C. W.*
Michael Reinig, *Treasurer.*
George Booker, *Recorder.*
David W. Middlemas, *C. of Guard.*
Cornelius Hedges, Jr., *Conductor.*
Starratt J. Burgess, *Steward.*
Henry Cowden, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Cornelius Hedges, Sr.
Henry M. Parchen
Joseph J. Hindson

SELECT MASTERS.

Arvidson, Axel
Bennett, Wiliam G.
Bray, Charles Henry
Cater, Charles S.
Cook, Andrew B.
Cummings, Patrick W.
Day, Edward Cason
Easterly, Allen M.
Featherman, James Benjamin
Featherman, John A.
Garrett, Clarence B.
Gunderson, Hans
Heninger, Matthew M.
Henry, Daniel B.
Hepner, H. Solomon
Holter, Anton M.
Holter, Martin M.
Jones, Louis L.
Kleinschmidt, Theodore H.
Lockey, Richard
Lombard, Halsey W.
Mills, William Ernest
Nolan, Cornelius B.
Palmer, Aleck L.
Parchen, Albert D'acheul
Robinson, Jeremiah
Schwab, Samuel
Sederburg, Albert W.
Sommers, Henry
Stewart, William Wallace
Strong, Harry
Switzer, Jacob
Tatem, Benjamin Hutchison
Walker, Jacob Longacre
Wood, George R.—46

WITHDRAWN.

Emil Wommelsdorf—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report....44 Withdrawn 1
Greeted ..... 3—47 Now borne upon the roll...46—47

STOCKTON COUNCIL, No. 10

STOCKTON, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Charles Willis Norton, *T. I. M.*
George Alexander McKenzie, *D. I. M.*
Durrett Oliver Castle, *P. C. W.*
Edward Richards Hedges, *Treasurer.*
Arthur Morgan Noble, *Recorder.*
Henry Ephraim Robbins, *C. of Guard.*
Charles Campbell Adams, *Conductor.*
Flavil Gaylord Hickox, *Steward.*
Edgar Warren Butters, *Organist.*
Charles Edward Howe, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Abraham Davies, *P. G. M.*
Edward Richards Hedges, *P. G. M.*
Alexander Chalmers
Charles Willis Norton

Blackmer, Eli Tucker
Blackstone, Henry Winthrop
Blades, Paul Harcourt
Bliesner, William John
Boswell, Frank Moore
Bourne, John Franklin
Bowen, Calvin Case
Bowen, John Wesley
Bradbeer, James H.
Bradford, Charles Raymond
Bradish, Avery Jackson
Branch, John Franklin
Brauer, Adolph Karl
Braun, Henry
Bresee, Melvin Arthur
Bresee, Phineas Wright
Brill, William
Brink, John Edward
Brode, Alexander Charles
Brode, Walter Charles
Brookman, Arthur
Brooks, Frank Handy
Brown, Charles Milton
Brown, John Alexander
Brown, Walter Eldridge
Browning, Charles Clifton
Bryson, Frank
Bryson, George Washington
Buffum, Frank
Bulla, Robert Nelson
Burgwald, Hugo Mathias
Burkhardt, Adolph
Burns, Orin L.
Burns, Robert Wallace
Burr, Charles Martin
Burr, John
Cahill, James William
Campbell, Daniel
Campbell, John Mis
Campbell, Alfred Quincy
Cannon, John Stevens
Carlson, Carl Otto
Carr, Joseph Elmer
Carver, Clarence C.
Caswell, William Mitchell
Catey, Stacey Francis
Cave, Daniel
Chase, Lucius Kurtz
Clark, Herbert Hamilton
Cline, William
Coate, Henry R.
Cobb, Edward Sigourney
Coe, Edmund Wallace
Cohn, Albert
Cohn, Elias
Colbert, Patrick
Connett, Harry
Conradi, Simon
Cook, George Washington
Cooksey, Job Emit
Coombes, Willard E.
Conrey, Nathaniel Parrish
Collins, Burton Vincent
Copp, Andrew James, Jr.
Cornes, Frank Jay
Cox, Robert Lee
Crandall, John Abner
Crawford, James Seth
Cribb, John Caborn
Cunningham, Frank R.
Cunningham, John Calvin
Daniels, Albert Julius
Davis, Harvey
Dawson, John Bennett
Day, John Pinkney
De la Monte, Jacques Henry
Dewey, James Henry
Dick, James William
Dill, Robie Everett
Dillingham, Frank Stinson
Donnell, John Alexander
Doyle, John Hunt
Drew, Arthur Linford
Driscoll, Timothy
Drought, Robert
Duffie, John Jefferson
Duffill, Harry
Dunham, James Elias

Dunsmoor, Cylos Taylor
Dunsmoor, John Marcus
Dutcher, Claude Elmer
Eager, Charles Lucius
Eason, Charles Horace
Eckstrom, Albert Axel
Ehlers, Peter William
Eichelberger, Harry Martin
Elliott, Elmer Ellsworth
Eldridge, Septimus Tustin
Ellis, Henry Bertrand
Ennis, Charles Wesley
Everhardy, Mathew William
Fairchild, John Anthony
Faust, Willis, Jr.
Ferbert, John C.
Ferris, Horace Bayles
Field, Benjamin Franklin
Fiscus, Joseph
Fish, Charles Winthrop
Fisher, Donnell George
Fitch, George Atkins
Flint, Frank Putnam
Flint, Motley Hewes
Folsom, Niles Rathbone
Fordham, Milton Cephas
Foshay, James A.
Fraisher, Robert Love
Francis, Ira Johnson
Fraser, Leonidas Polk
Garn, Peter W.
Garthside, Joseph Relton
Gehrkens, William Henry
Gibbs, Charles Alfred
Gibson, Leo La Forest
Gill, William Henry
Gillis, Robert Cowan
Glass, Clement Studebaker
Glass, Henry
Goehring, John George
Gordon, Frank Henry
Gotthelf, David
Granicher, Oswald
Greene, Emery Taylor
Greppin, Ernest Henry
Grubb, Oscar Edwin
Guthrie, Finis William
Hale, Frank Seraph
Hamburger, Moses Asher
Hamilton, Harley Erastus
Hammond, William T. Sherman
Hanselman, John Wesley
Harper, Arthur Cyprian
Harris, Murray McCheyenne
Harrison, Lisle Ryerson
Harrison, William Henry
Hart, Alexander Hamilton
Hart, Dwight Howard
Hart, Frank John
Hart, George Alandson
Haskell, John Condit
Hauser, Edward Charles
Hauser, Lewis August
Haydock, Clarence
Heartt, Burton Elmer
Heartt, Charles Lawrence
Heffner, Robert Armstrong
Henderson, Andrew
Henderson, John Blanchard
Henderson, William Alexander
Henry, James Wheaton
Henshey, Benjamin Botsford
Herr, George Frederick
Herron, Fred Irvine
Herron, Rufus Hills
Hervey, William Rhodes
Hiatt, William Macy
Hines, Fred Amos
Hoagland, Robert Stout
Holcombe, Arthur Lovell
Hollingsworth, William Irving
Hollis, George Henry
Homeyer, Albert Von
Houselibe, William John
Howard, Perry Alonzo
Hubbard, William Lewis
Humphreys, William Morgan
Hussey, William Clark

Shoemaker, Fred Wilcox
Simms, John H.
Simms, Vinton Delos
Sinsabaugh, Simpson McCollough
Skinner, Alden Webster
Slater, Joseph Karl
Slotterbeck, Harry Walter
Small, Richard Ellsworth
Smalley, John Newton
Smart, George Joseph
Smith, Benjamin Nathaniel
Smith, Benjamin Nathaniel, Jr.
Smith, Everett Russell
Smith, Horace Osbun
Smith, Joseph Augustus
Smith, Melvin David
Smith, William Albert
Snow, Harry L.
Snowden, Joshua Hazelrigg
Snyder, Meredith Pinxton
Spaulding, Frank Leverett
Specht, Joseph Christian
Spence, William Glenn
Spencer, Isom Lindsay
Spinks, Wallace Humphrey
Stagg, Edward Houts
Stansbury, Charles
Starbuck, Henry Fletcher
Starr, Joseph Lee
Stephens, William Dennison
Stevens, John Benjamin
Stewart, Albert Iulus
Stewart, George Hadley
Stoll, George Henry
Storrow, Samuel
Strassburg, Edward
Streicher, Michael
Strohm, Thomas
Sumption, Frederick Albert
Sweet, Otto
Tanner, Wilson Gustin
Taylor, Henry Holland
Taylor, John Hartley
Teagle, Leander Allen
Tenbrook, George Henry
Thayer, Joseph Harriot
Thompson, Charles Wesley, Jr.
Thompson, Chester Weaver
Thompson, John S. Vance De C.
Thompson, Robert Mossman
Thompson, William Edward
Tower, Harry Dooley
Train, Robert Farquhar
Trobec, John August
Tuttle, Victor Hugo
Urmston, John Kreck
Valiant, George Francis
Valentine, Edward Sharp
Valentine, William Lucas
Van Doren, John Suydam
Van Nuys, Isaac Newton
Vawter, Edwin James
Vetter, Louis Fisher
Vignolo, Ambrogio
Vogel, Herman Oscar
Volbrecht, William Julius
Volkman, Martin Frederick
Wade, Robert David
Walker, Daniel Henry
Wankowski, Robert
Ward, Ben E.
Ward, Perl Adelbert
Ward, William Henry
Wardell, Ralph Hewitt
Weber, John
Webster, James William
Weidner, Peter
Welch, William Ormond
Werdin, Ernest Rudolph
Westcott, Otis Horton
West, George Miller
West, Henry Hebard
Wetterauer, Andrew Peter
Wheeler, Emanuel Randolph
Wheeler, Horace Marcellus
White, William
White, William Addison
Whiting, Perry
Whitman, William Colfax
Whitney, Grant Ulysses

Williams, Herbert George
Williams, William Henry
Willis, Frank Rominar
Wohlfarth, August
Wood, Charles Modini
Woodbury, Edward
Wreden, Carl Von
Yost, Charles
Young, John William
Youngworth, Leo Valtus
Zaiser, Lewis G.—513

WITHDRAWN.

Franklin Jordan
James Vandervoort—2

DIED.

James Alexander Buchanan
William Campbell Fish
Lauren Thomas Holland
Andrew Nicholls—4

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	483	Withdrawn	2
Greeted	33	Died	4
Affiliated	3—519	Now borne upon the roll	513—519

OAKLAND COUNCIL, No. 12

OAKLAND, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, fifth Thursday of months having five Thursdays.

OFFICERS.

Charles Frank Thomas, *T. I. M.*
John Andrew Sansom, *D. I. M.*
Edward Harrison Morgan, P. C. *W.*
James Bestor Merritt, *Treasurer.*
George Henry Smith, *Recorder.*
Edward C. Prindle, *C. of Guard.*
Charles Herbert Cowell, *Conductor.*
Albert Lauritz Hansen, *Steward.*
John William Gwilt, *Organist.*
Robert Griffith Evans, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James Bestor Merritt, *P. G. M.*
W. Frank Pierce, *P. G. M.*
Edward Harrison Morgan
Webb Nicholson Pearce
Edwin Allen Sherman
Eugene Carmeny
Edward Constant Robinson
Robert Edgar
Amasa Wright Bishop
Augustus Lewis Ott
Damien Edmont Fortin
Albert Humphrey Merritt, *P. G. M.*
John Alexander Britton
George Henry Smith
Charles Herbert Wever
William James Chesney
Frank Reeve Woolsey
Fred Duane Voorhees

Ohea, George Harvey
Oliver, Henry Andrew
O'Neill, Peter J.
Ott, Charles Frederick
Owen, William Henry S.
Parsons, Albert S.
Patterson, Albert Louis C.
Payne, George Henry
Phillips, John Waterman
Phillips, Henry Byron
Pierce, Charles Dexter
Piercy, Arthur Thomas
Platt, Samuel J.
Price, Wallace Covert
Prowse, Charles
Ragland, William Beverly
Ramage, Andrew
Randall, Charles Wells
Redington, Charles Henry
Reist, Jay Harvey
Revalk, Richard Emil
Richardson, Friend William
Robison, James Leman
Robertson, Daniel
Rodolph, Frank Bequette
Roeth, George
Rowles, William John
Russell, Thomas Bartlett
Rose, Burton James
Sandelin, Charles Frederick
Sargeant, Edward Lyman
Seller, John
Schindler, Henry Bernard
Schleuter, Otis William
Stone, Louis Stanwood
Schleuter, Herman F.
Schrock, William A.
Schwarz, Henry
Scott, George Amos
Scott, John Walter
Slater, Urotes Majer
Smilie, Alexander Innes
Smith, Kirby Bounty
Spreckles, Richard
Staats, Remond Cyril
Standeford, William Burt
Stromgren, Gustave Adolph
Strong, Milton Grosvener
Tayler, James Howard
Taylor, Guy
Thomas, George Henry
Thomas, Charles Goodwin
Thompson, Robert Crawford
Thomas, Charles Edward
Threlkeld, Melville Calvert
Treadwell, James Tufts
Tofflemier, Douglas Ulysses
Tuttle, Hiram Sinclair
Walker, Percy John
Walker, Albert Jay
Walsh, Edward Marion
Wanger, Gustave Adolph
Watson, Franklin Granville
Waste, William Harrison
Webster, Leander Rankin
Weigt, William Albert
Weilbye, Julius Lars
Weilbye, William Hansen
Werner, Edward Peter
Westlake, Leonard John
Weston, William Pomroy
Wharff, William Hatch
Wilder, James Chase
Wilkes, Farrington
Wilkes, William E.
Williams, John
Winchell, Colvin S.
Wood, Herbert Anthony
Woodin, Eugene
Woolsey, Philip Sheriden
Wright, Cyrus Smith
Wyllie, Robert P.
Yablonsky, John
Young, Roy Jackson—285

RESTORED.

William James Chesney
George H. Goodwin
Hans Peter Hansen
Louis Stanwood Stone—4

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Richard Bahls
Baxley, George Washington
Brunner, Henry Ernest
Dudley, William Moses
Greig, Robert
Hodge, Thomas
Mikkelson, Christian
Mobley, Warren G.
McKeen, Albert Atwater
Overacker, Charles B.
Petherick, John Henry
Robbins, Henry Russell
Robertson, Albert Atwater
Smith, William Clay
Schleuter, Edward C.
Wight, Frederick Gordon
Whipple, Edwin—17

EXCLUDED.

Arthur Eugene Carpenter
Newton Alexander Koser
Frederick William Loch
Herschel, Vespucian Swain, Jr.—4

DIED.

William Edward Loy
Daniel Harry Whitlatch—2

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report...273
Greeted 31
Restored ..... 4—308
Suspended N. P. D..... 17
Excluded 4
Died 2
Now borne upon the roll.285—308

GATEWAY COUNCIL, No. 13

AUBURN, PLACER COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each Month.

OFFICERS.

Preston Washington Smith, *T. I. M.*
Michael David Lininger, *D. I. M.*
William Grant Lee, *P. C. W.*
Alfred Lovell Smith, *Treasurer.*
David Wlademer Lubeck, *Recorder.*
Alex. Kelley Robinson, *C. of Guard.*
Charles Nelson Shane, *Conductor.*
Frederick Solon Stevens, *Steward.*
Arthur Reginald Green, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Jacob Hart Neff, *P. G. M.*
John Gould Bisbee, *P. G. M.*
John Mathias Fulweiler
Preston Washington Smith

SELECT MASTERS.

Akers, Charles Duval
Allen, George Eugene
Anderson, Albert Wallace
Anderson, William Craig
Bell, Joseph Vincent
Birdsall, Ernest Stratton.
Boller, George Carl
Bower, Harry Julius

Brown, Edward Doyle
Buchanan, Francis Jaques
Chamberlain, Newell Day
Chappellet, Felix, Jr.
Clement, Styles Kennedy
Coombs, William
Cowan, Gordon Robinson
Crowell, William Albert
Curtis, Henry Chittenden
Davis, Frederick Calvin
Delano, Ira Lemuel
Disque, Henry
Duggan, Charles Martin
Francis, Joseph Marie
Fulton, Jonathan
Gladding, Albert James
Haenny, John
Harris, George J.
Hohfeld, Edward
Jansen, Hans Pulsen
Jansen, Walter
Kendall, Edward John
Kilburn, Harry Alden
Lardner, William Bransen
Mardis, Benjamin Allen
Martin, Charles
May, William Isaac
McAninch, John
McAulay, George
McCracken, William James
Michael, Martin
Millard, George Ellis
Misner, Frank
Moore, John Thomas
Nicholls, William, Jr.
Pemberton, George Francis
Power, Harold Thomas
Roberts, William Robert
Rooney, Robert Fleming
Safford, John Coleman
Salzman, George Ernest
Sparks, William Martin
Stevens, Amos
Stevenson, Thomas
Treadwell, James Buchanan
Wallace, John
Woodard, John Carlton—67

WITHDRAWN.

Amos Mathews Powers
Benjamin Franklin Smith—2

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Charles Robert Nelson—1

RECAPITULATION.

	Withdrawn 2
On roll per last report.....67	Suspended N. P. D..... 1
Greeted ..... 3—70	Now borne upon the roll...67—70

SANTA ANA COUNCIL, No. 14

SANTA ANA, ORANGE COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Leonard Frank Harvey, *T. I. M.*
George Pliney Hill, *D. I. M.*
Emanuel Henry Luxton, *P. C. W.*
Robert Francis Chilton, *Treasurer.*
George Akerman Whidden, *Recorder.*
Max Reinhaus, *C. of Guard.*
John Holt, *Conductor.*
Eli Brock Trago, *Steward.*
George Eddie Robinson, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James William Towner
James Deane Wilder
James Hedges Hall
Edwin Dumont Buss
Addison Crockett Bowers

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, John Nelson
Balcom, Bayles Greenwood
Ball, Charles Dexter
Beals, Albert
Bradford, Albert Sumner
Bundy, Milton John
Burke, Orion Harry
Clark, George Crook
Conn, Frederick
Cushman, Ruggles Allerton
Decker, Willet S.
Deyoe, Frederick Theodore
Diers, Henry
Donovan, Napoleon
Dryer, John Lewis
Faust, George Andrew Willis
Frampton, George Reed
Ferguson, Joseph
Gamble, Austin Abram
Gilmaker, Joseph
Greeley, John Philip
Gregg, Walter Scott
Griffiths, George Whitfield, Jr.
Hannah, Charles William
Harding, Foster William
Hately, William
Haywood, John Saxton
Hill, Louis Hamilton
Hill, Samuel
Honey, Edwin Alonzo
Huffman, Robert Lincoln
Hutt, James Hagar
Krick, Philip Herman
Lane, Martin Luther
Lee, Eugene Tewksbury
Leithead, William Wilson
Lipking, Frederick William
Lovett, Charles Edward
Lutz, William Frederick
Mason, William Bertle
McCarric, Franklin
McDonald, John Colvin
McNeill, Christopher
McTaggart, Neil Godfrey
Medlock, James Randolph
Miles, George Francis
Mills, Ira D.
Monaghan, Francis
Nichols, John Brown
Paine, James Robert
Parker, Charles Edward
Peters, George Edwin
Potter, William Gibbons
Preble, George Edward
Putnam, John Day
Reinhaus, Julius
Richardson, Erwin Ellsworth
Royer, Daniel Franklin
Scott, Walter Maxwell
Shaw, Linn Lee
Smart, Alan Fowler
Smith, Ezekiel Bernard
Staley, Arthur
Sheats, Clarence Warren
Toothaker, George Dexter
Trudo, Edward
Tyerman, Thomas Benton
Upham, Harry George
Visel, Augustus Jacob
Waffle, Edson Dwight
Wallace, Elmer S.
Wasser, Joseph Sylvester
Wassum, Howard Allen
Watson, Kellar Ebenezer
Whitney, Mervin Newton
Wilkinson, Lawrence Smith
Wood, William Bell
Woodford, Charles J.—92

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Marion Albert Menges—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	86		
Greeted	6	Suspended N. P. D.	1
Affiliated	1—93	Now borne upon the roll	92—93

VENTURA COUNCIL, No. 15

VENTURA, VENTURA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

David Rhodes Denison, *T. I. M.*
George Cook, *D. I. M.*
Richard Owen Robinson, *P. C. W.*
John Stevenson Collins, *Treasurer.*
David John Reese, *Recorder.*
Frederick William Baker, *C. of Guard.*
William Edward Reasy, *Conductor.*
Robert C. Sudden, *Steward.*
Willis Philip Lincoln, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Albert Perham Hardy
Frederick William Baker
Willis Philip Lincoln
Richard Owen Robinson

SELECT MASTERS.

Alves, John
Argabrite, Jacob Lewis
Blackstock, Nehemiah
Burson, Edward Wright
Burson, George Washington
Burson, Willis
Butcher, William Preston
Cannon, Christopher Wren
Carr, Earl
Carr, Philetus Sprague
Day, James Allan
Dodge, Edward Gardiner
Ely, Martin Juda
Engstrom, Franz Otto
Giddings, Herbert Alvaro
Gosnell, Truman Barrick
Goodyear, William Ernest
Kauffman, Parke Wilfred
Kilson, George Elmer
Knight, Clarence Crosby
McGuire, William
Metcalf, Winfield Bradbury
Misa, Charles Henry
Neel, Henry Harrison
Ogg, Thomas Daniel
Power, George Coffin
Rice, Thomas Alexander
Rowley, Charles Harvey
Starkweather, George Albert
Taggart, James William
Taylor, Arthur Wilson
Thompson, Mark
Turner, William Henry
Walker, James Russell
Wittenmeyer, John Lewis—45

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	43		
Greeted	2—45	Now borne upon the roll	45—45

PASADENA COUNCIL, No. 16

PASADENA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Benjamin Brooks Cartwright, *T. I. M.*
Jefferson Carvosa Fraser, *D. I. M.*
Albert Mercer, *P. C. W.*
William Henry Vedder, *Treasurer.*
Louis Azel Bartlett, *Recorder.*
Edgar Oscar Nay, *C. of Guard.*
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George Rasmus Weaver, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles Joseph Willett, *P. G. M.*
George Washington Skyrme
Oscar Otto Freeman

SELECT MASTERS.

Allen, Charles Emery
Allin, Thomas David
Ball, Benjamin Franklin
Beach, Fitz E.
Behlow, Irwin W. M.
Behlow, Robert Roscoe
Bonner, Lewis Henry
Buchanan, Charles Wesley
Campbell, James
Clarke, James
Crump, Edward Sisson
Dawson, James Porter
Edwards, Albert Ernest
Edwards, Simon Josiah
Edwards, William Bryant
Eisenauer, Michael
Geohegan, Harry
Grimes, Charles
Frary, Leander Warren
Hansen, Nels Peter
Hayes, Orrin Henry
Hughes, James Barr
May, Ernest Heath
Meyer, Henry William
McDowell, Robert Snyder
McGregory, William Whitney
Packard, Elmer Charles
Parks, Ion Watson
Peaslee, John
Porter, LaFayette Seward
Richardson, Warren Josiah
Rossiter, John G.
Rhodes, Charles Hilliard
Sherry, Henry
Shibley, William
Skillen, Charles Moses
Slavin, Matthew
Smith, John Martin
Smith, William T. Sherman
Stanley, Charles Newton
Sutton, Charles Thomas
Thomson, Henry Martin
Williams, Romayne
Williams, Robert Adam—54

DIED.

Leonard Perrin—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report....49
Greeted ..... 7—56
Withdrawn 1
Died 1
Now borne upon the roll...54—56

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL, No. 17

SANTA CRUZ, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday on or before Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

Thompson Wilson Drullard, *T. I. M.*
William Hugus Keck, *D. I. M.*
Mark Webster, *P. C. W.*
John Parker Twist, *Treasurer.*
Edward Swift West, *Recorder.*
Perry Clark Tucker, *Chaplain.*
Benjamin Anthony Plant, *C. of Guard.*
Silas Foulk Hoopes, *Conductor.*
William Clarence Tooze, *Steward.*
George Washington Wells, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Thompson Wilson Drullard
Silas Foulk Hoopes

SELECT MASTERS.

Aydelotte, Charles Leon
Aydelotte, William Mack
Bias, William Henry
Cox, Alison Alberti
Drennan, Ryland
Fifield, Daniel Black
Folsom, Cathers Drummond
Gebhart, Charles Albert
Hall, Henry Dresher
Hapgood, Alfred Adams
Harrington, George Henry
Johnson, Walter Lloyd
Lorenzen, Lawrence
Loucks, Don Anderson
Mattison, Frank
McCreary, Thomas Guy
Read, William Miles
Rostron, George Henry
Sevirio, John
Springer, Wilson Riley
Staubes, Charles
Taylor, John Alexander
Trafton, Howard Valentine
Willey, Henry—34

DIED.

John George Schroeder—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report....31
Greeted ..... 4—35
Died 1
Now borne upon the roll...34—35

FRESNO COUNCIL, No. 18

FRESNO, FRESNO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Wiley James Tinnin, *T. I. M.*
.....*D. I. M.*
Berry Madison Hague, *P. C. W.*
Brenton Jarvis Metzler, *Treasurer.*
Ardie Lee Smith, *Recorder.*
George Washington Smith, *C. of Guard.*
Joseph George Martin, *Conductor.*
William Henry Puleston, *Steward.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Wiley James Tinnin

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, Gus Walter
Anderson, John Quincy
Barrett, Charles William
Burks, William Tilliman
Bernhard, Emil Frederick
Borchers, Herman Henry
Burnham, Floyd Stephen Kenny
Cearley, Charles Talant
Cosgrave, George
Clark, Albert Bazzle
Chaddock, Emory Gilbert
Everts, Olen Lee.
Eley, Mills
Gray, William Alonzo
Graham, Edwin Reed
Homan, Frank Andrew
Hersey, Augustus Melville
Hendrix, Jay Ward
Hawkins, Henry Edwin
Hoffman, John L.
Hogg, Victor Forest
Kittrell, William Joseph
Lisenby, Augustus Vespasian
Ludvigsen, Peter Erich
Miles, William Oscar
Munger, Albert Luke
Monroe, George Hayes
Munn, Charles Anderson
Mootz, Herman Edwin
McClurg, James Allen, Sr.
Noble, Jay Preston
Pierce, Charles Sheldon
Pedreira, Antonio Freitas
Riege, Charles Henry
Ralston, Elza Clark
Rudy, Henry Vernon
Shoemaker, Walter
Swift, Harvey Whalen
Smith, Anson Burlingame
Shepherd, Benjamin Franklin
Sherman, Walter Nathan
Smith, Joseph Monoah
Shaver, Charles Bunn
Thomas, Montgomery
Wahlberg, Arthur Gustave
Wishon, Albert Graves
Walter, Charles Lewis—54

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report.....54
Now borne upon the roll.....54

LIST OF COUNCILS,

With a Summary of their Returns for the Year Ending January 31, 1907.

	NAME OF COUNCILS.	No. of Council.	Greeted.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Excluded.	Suspended N. P. D.	Suspended for unmasonic conduct.	Expelled.	Died.	Number of members.	DUES TO GRAND COUNCIL.
1	SACRAMENTO	1	3			2					6	220	$113.00
2	CALIFORNIA	2	10		4	4				1	2	339	179.50
3	MARYSVILLE	3	2								1	43	23.50
*	SIERRA NEVADA	4											
4	SONORA	5				1		7			2	89	44.50
5	SHASTA	6										40	20.00
*	VIRGINIA	7											
*	YREKA	8											
6	HELENA	9	3			1						46	26.00
7	STOCKTON	10				1						86	43.00
8	LOS ANGELES	11	33	2	1	2					4	513	289.50
9	OAKLAND	12	31		4		4	17			2	285	173.50
10	GATEWAY	13	3			2		1				67	36.50
11	SANTA ANA	14	6		1			1				92	52.00
12	VENTURA	15	2									45	24.50
13	PASADENA	16	7			1					1	54	34.00
14	SANTA CRUZ	17	4								1	34	21.00
15	FRESNO	18										54	27.00
	TOTALS		104	2	10	14	4	26		1	19	2,007	$1,107.50

* Charter surrendered.

Gain, 52.

RECAPITULATION

Number of Councils		18
Number of Councils working		15
Number of Councils making returns		15
Greeted during the year	104	
Affiliated	2	
Restored	10	
		116
Withdrawn	14	
Excluded for N. P. D. in Lodge or Chapter	4	
Suspended for non-payment of dues	26	
Expelled	1	
Died	19	
		64
Gain		52
Total Membership January 31, 1907		2007

ADDRESS OF GRAND RECORDERS

Alabama—George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery.
Arkansas—Fay Hempstead, Little Rock.
California—Thomas A. Davies, P. O. Box 163, Alameda.
Canada—J. Ross Robertson, 55 Kings St., W. Toronto.
Colorado—Ernest LeNeve Foster, Denver, Room 36, Masonic Temple.
Connecticut—James McCormick, Hartford, 150 State St.
England—C. F. Matier, Mark Mason's Hall, Great Q St., London, W.C.
Florida—Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville.
Georgia—W. A. Wolihin, Macon.
General Grand Council—Henry W. Mordhurst, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Illinois—Gil. W. Barnard, Masonic Temple, Chicago.
Indiana—Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis.
Indian Territory—Joseph S. Murrow, Atoka.
Iowa—Alf. Wingate, Des Moines.
Kansas—William M. Shaver, Topeka.
Kentucky—H. B. Grant, Louisville.
Louisiana—Richard Lambert Masonic Temple, New Orleans.
Maine—Stephen Berry, Portland.
Maritime Provinces—Frank A. Godsoe, St. John, N. B.
Maryland—James W. Bowers, Baltimore, 16 East Lexington St.
Massachusetts—J. Gilman Waite, Masonic Temple, Boston.
Minnesota—Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul.
Michigan—Charles A. Conover, Coldwater.
Mississippi—Fred Speed, Vicksburg.
Missouri—Robert F. Stevenson, Lock Box 959, Masonic Temple, St. Louis.
New Hampshire—Frank D. Woodbury, Concord.
Nebraska—Francis E. White, 1608 Capitol Ave., Omaha.
New Jersey—John B. Bertholf, Jersey City, 76 Montgomery St.
New York—George H. Van Vliet, 16 Eighth Ave., New York City.
North Carolina—James C. Munds, Wilmington.
Ohio—William E. Evans, Chillicothe.
Oregon—Seth L. Pope, Portland, P. O. Box 256.
Ontario—A. G. Horford, Toronto.
Pennsylvania—Frank W. Martenis, South Bethlehem.
Rhode Island—William R. Greene, Providence, Box 576.
Scotland—Robert S. Brown, 5 Marchmont Terrace, Edinburgh.
South Carolina—Zimmerman Davis, Charleston.
Tennessee—W. A. Clendening, Nashville.
Vermont—Henry H. Ross, Rutland.
Washington—Edward R. Hare, Tacoma.
Wisconsin—William W. Perry, Milwaukee.

Representatives of the Grand Council of California

Near Other Grand Councils

Arkansas	GAYLORD J. KLOCK	Eureka Springs.
Canada	J. ROSS ROBERTSON	Toronto.
Colorado	CROMWELL TUCKER	Denver.
Connecticut	ALEXANDER B. SHUMWAY	Litchfield.
Georgia	WM. A. DAVIS	Macon.
Illinois	JOHN A. LADD	Morrison.
Indiana	ORLANDO W. BROWNBACK	Pendleton.
Indian Territory	JABEZ H. MANN	McAlester, Choctaw Nation.
Iowa	W. H. NORRIS	Manchester.
Kansas	ROBERT E. TORRINGTON	Wichita.
Kentucky	WM. RHODES SHACKELFORD	Richmond.
Louisiana	H. C. BROWN	New Orleans.
Maine	MILLARD F. HICKS	Portland.
Maryland	ALBERT BENEDICT LYMAN	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	EDWARD M. WOODWARD	Boston.
Michigan	BAYARD A. CHURCH	St. Louis.
Minnesota	J. T. JOHNSON, 105 Lincoln Ave. E.	Fergus Falls.
Mississippi	A. A. POSEY	Aberdeen.
Missouri	WM. R. STUBBLEFIELD	St. Louis.
Nebraska	G. W. LININGER	Plymouth.
New Hampshire	JOHN F. MAYNARD	Omaha.
New Jersey	JOHN M. KNAPP	261 Monroe St., Passaic.
New York	THEODORE M. BARBER	Syracuse.
North Carolina	W. F. RANDOLPH	Asheville.
Ohio	ARTHUR P. CRANE	Toledo.
Oregon	SETH L. POPE	Portland.
Pennsylvania	REUBEN E. TAFT	Titusville.
Rhode Island	ROBERT S. FRANKLIN	Newport.
South Carolina	J. E. MCDONALD	Winnsboro.
Tennessee	C. H. SMART	1516 Laurel St., Nashville.
Vermont	GEORGE W. WING	Montpelier.
Washington	W. A. FAIRWEATHER	Tacoma.
Wisconsin	WILLIAM N. PENNELL	Milwaukee.

Representatives of Other Grand Councils

Near the Grand Council of California

Arkansas	W. Frank Pierce	1000 Chestnut St., S. F.
Canada	George Alexander McKenzie	Stockton.
Colorado	Jacob H. Neff	San Francisco.
Connecticut	Frederick Ferdinand Barss	Placerville.
England and Wales	Amasa W. Bishop	Oakland.
Georgia	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles.
Illinois	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles.
Indiana	David M. Sutherland	Los Angeles.
Indian Territory	William Hewson Davis	Sacramento.
Iowa	Albert H. Merritt	Oakland.
Kansas	Henry Ascroft	San Francisco.
Kentucky	Chas. Joseph Willett	Pasadena.
Louisiana	Augustus Wackerbarth	Los Angeles.
Maine	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco.
Maritime Prov., N. B.	John A. Britton	Oakland.
Maryland	Eduard Keil	Sonora.
Massachusetts	Franklin Henry Day	San Francisco.
Michigan	William Monroe Petrie	Sacramento.
Minnesota	John Gould Bisbee	Auburn.
Mississippi	Robert Ash	San Francisco.
Missouri	George Penlington	San Francisco.
Nebraska	James William Towner	Santa Ana.
New Hampshire	Edward Richards Hedges	Stockton.
New Jersey	———	
New York	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco.
North Carolina	John Francis Hughes	Los Angeles.
Ohio	James Hedges Hall	Santa Ana.
Oregon	Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt	Redwood City.
Pennsylvania	Edward Richards Hedges	Stockton.
Rhode Island	———	
South Carolina	James Bestor Merritt	Oakland.
Tennessee	Henry Sayre Orme	Los Angeles.
Vermont	William Abraham Davies	P. O. Box 163, Alameda.
Washington	David W. Lubeck	Auburn.
Wisconsin	James Dean Wilder	Tustin.

GRAND OFFICERS

ELECTED SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND COUNCIL, JUNE 26, A. DEP. 2860

1860.

*Isaac Davis .....*Grand Master.*
*William Caldwell Belcher....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Adolphus Hollub .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*James Lawrence English.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1861.

*William Caldwell Belcher....*Grand Master.*
*Adolphus Hollub .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*James Lawrence English.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Isaac Sutvene Titus *Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1862.

*Adolphus Hollub .....*Grand Master.*
*Isaac Sutvene Titus *Deputy Grand Master.*
William Abraham Davies.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*John Ashby Tutt.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1863.

*Isaac Sutvene Titus *Grand Master.*
William Abraham Davies.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Anderson Seavy *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Charles L. Danielson.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1864.

William Abraham Davies.....*Grand Master.*
*Anderson Seavy *Deputy Grand Master.*
*Louis Cohn *Grand Illustrious Master.*
William Alexander January..*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1865.

*Anderson Seavy *Grand Master.*
*Louis Cohn *Deputy Grand Master.*
William Alexander January..*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1866.

*James Lawrence English .....*Grand Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1867.

*Alvin Bacon Preston.....*Grand Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*William Franklin Knox.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1868.

*Joseph Isaacs .....*Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Franklin Knox.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Stephen Wing .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1870.

Frederick Ferdinand Barss....*Grand Master.*
*Stephen Wing .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Leonard Gross .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Thomas Kyle .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1871.

*Stephen Wing .....*Grand Master.*
*Thomas Kyle .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work*

1872.

*Thomas Kyle .....*Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1873.

*William Thomas Reynolds....*Grand Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1874.

*POWELL SAMUEL LAWSON.....*Grand Master.*
HENRY SAYRE ORME.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*EDMUND TAYLOR WILKINS.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1875.

HENRY SAYRE ORME.....*Grand Master.*
*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH ROGERS.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1876.

HENRY SAYRE ORME.....*Grand Master.*
*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH ROGERS.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1877.

*GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES.....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH ROGERS.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1878.

WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....*Grand Master.*
*EDWIN ALDRICH ROGERS.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1879.

*EDWIN ALDRICH ROGERS.....*Grand Master.*
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1880.

EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Grand Master.*
*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE..*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1881.

EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....*Grand Master.*
*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE..*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1882.

*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK.....*Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE..*Grand Illustrious Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1883.

*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE.....*Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE..*Deputy Grand Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM..*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1884.

GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE..*Grand Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM..*Grand Illustrious Master.*
LEMUEL TRESCOTT CRANE.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1885.

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM..*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES LORD FIELD.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1886.

CHARLES LORD FIELD.....*Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1887.

CHARLES LORD FIELD.....*Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1888.

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....*Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1889.

*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON.....*Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1890.

W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1891.

W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1892.

W. FRANK PIERCE.....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1893.

*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL.....*Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1894.

GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work*

1895.

*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT.....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1896.

WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS.....*Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1897.

HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1898.

ROBERT ASH .....*Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
JACOB HART NEFF.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1899.

AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Grand Master.*
JACOB HART NEFF.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH...*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1900.

JACOB HART NEFF.....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH...*Deputy Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1901.

WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH...*Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1902.

JOHN GOULD BISBEE.....*Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1903.

ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT.....*Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
EDUARD KEIL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1904.

DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND.....*Grand Master.*
EDUARD KEIL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1905.

EDUARD KEIL .....*Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1906.

CHARLES J. WILLETT.....*Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM H. GAYNOR.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1907.

CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM H. GAYNOR.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

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*Deceased.

CRYPTIC STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1906. By Henry W. Mordhurst, G. G. Recorder.

Grand Councils...	Annual Assembles.		Exhibition of Work and Change of Membership.								Financial.			Subordinates					Grand Councils.
	When Held	Held at	Greeted.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Expelled.	Suspended.	Dimitted.	Died.	Membership 1906.	Receipts.	Expenditures.	Cash and Assets	Chartered	Suspended	Now Enrolled	Represented	Making Returns	
Alabama	Dec. 4	Montgomery	51	10	8	..	22	27	4	373	$ 268 23	$ 280 00	$ 338 88	1	..	7	7	7	Alabama.
Arkansas	Nov. 24	Little Rock	31	..	3	..	1	6	4	393	210 00	235 90	230 58	..	..	14	7	8	Arkansas.
California	Apr. 17	San Francisco	193	30	4	..	24	13	36	1812	1131 00	898 47	2002 81	2	..	15	10	14	California.
Colorado	Sept. 30	Denver	14	1	1	..	4	21	7	498	281 00	246 75	805 75	..	..	10	10	10	Colorado.
Connecticut	May 10	Hartford	282	21	..	..	50	46	58	4240	629 90	493 13	890 87	..	..	23	23	23	Connecticut.
Florida	May 10	Jacksonville	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	139	..	..	..	1	..	5	3	4	Florida.
Georgia	Apr. 26	Macon	89	4	..	..	25	24	15	891	615 00	916 34	245 01	1	1	30	30	30	Georgia.
Illinois	Oct. 25	Chicago	502	34	7	..	69	50	60	4335	1536 00	910 57	1845 20	..	5	53	36	45	Illinois.
Indiana	Oct. 17	Indianapolis	555	52	9	2	44	59	63	4213	2470 85	1969 57	2399 10	4	..	62	54	58	Indiana.
Indian Territory	Apr. 19	Oklahoma City	6	4	..	..	1	3	5	230	113 00	170 00	89 65	1	1	9	9	9	Indian Territory.
Iowa	Sept. 27	Iowa City	66	50	1	1	32	35	8	1000	640 50	517 08	1326 70	..	1	21	15	22	Iowa.
Kansas	Feb. 13	Wichita	94	13	2	..	66	21	12	1121	561 07	463 52	701 78	..	..	10	9	10	Kansas.
Kentucky	Oct. 16	Louisville	206	11	2	3	40	46	29	1190	..	420 21	238 71	11	1	32	18	28	Kentucky.
Louisiana	Feb. 9	New Orleans	80	13	..	..	..	3	2	392	294 00	278 75	527 13	2	..	9	9	7	Louisiana.
Maine	May 3	Portland	349	2	1	..	18	8	52	3464	403 91	391 90	838 02	..	..	16	14	16	Maine.
Maryland	Nov. 22	Baltimore	89	..	1	..	19	4	22	875	260 25	270 89	213 33	..	..	11	8	11	Maryland.
Massachusetts	Dec. 13	Boston	507	41	..	..	41	78	118	6882	3002 20	1718 01	6748 90	1	..	28	22	28	Massachusetts.
Michigan	Jan. 16	Detroit	509	8	9	..	43	25	77	5498	2084 50	1261 33	2587 42	..	..	58	54	58	Michigan.
Minnesota	Oct. 9	St. Paul	70	1	..	..	6	11	18	807	273 25	269 10	784 02	..	..	7	7	7	Minnesota.
Mississippi	Feb. 21	Jackson	125	8	17	1	32	40	23	1439	823 00	616 37	818 61	..	1	43	31	29	Mississippi.
Missouri	Apr. 25	St. Louis	192	8	4	..	15	32	13	1230	1016 00	514 50	1854 15	..	..	14	10	14	Missouri.
Nebraska	Dec. 13	Omaha	134	1	5	..	6	22	15	948	509 00	499 98	790 51	2	..	21	12	16	Nebraska.
New Hampshire	May 15	Concord	101	2	3	1	15	15	35	1827	516 68	510 52	912 40	..	..	14	11	14	New Hampshire.
New Jersey	Mar. 21	Trenton	71	..	2	..	12	2	9	676	168 75	203 18	135 17	..	2	7	5	7	New Jersey.
New York	Aug. 29	Brooklyn	389	7	12	..	75	22	56	5115	2183 50	1935 26	1790 30	..	..	25	24	25	New York.
North Carolina	June 7	Asheville	29	..	..	..	1	..	5	210	134 99	151 05	34 74	..	..	5	5	5	North Carolina.
Ohio	Oct. 3	Springfield	830	53	40	..	104	64	93	8254	4705 50	4525 18	5693 06	3	..	63	61	63	Ohio.
Oregon	Apr. 12	Eugene City	31	15	..	..	2	3	6	289	103 25	82 65	251 85	1	..	6	5	6	Oregon.
Pennsylvania	Feb. 28	Altoona	509	9	..	..	36	17	60	3049	1676 60	1401 95	1773 29	2	..	24	18	24	Pennsylvania
Rhode Island	Apr. 12	Providence	140	2	..	..	6	5	21	1723	250 36	97 90	394 91	..	..	5	3	5	Rhode Island.
South Carolina	Feb. 14	Charleston	19	1	..	..	1	8	1	206	129 50	108 72	20 78	..	..	6	5	6	South Carolina.
Tennessee	Jan. 23	Nashville	47	7	4	..	3	16	8	523	251 00	280 88	314 47	..	..	15	1	415	Tennessee.
Vermont	June 13	Burlington	71	2	1	..	14	30	34	1295	456 75	274 72	951 22	..	1	17	13	16	Vermont.
Washington	June 20	Bellingham	76	2	2	1	20	3	5	596	252 10	236 50	259 71	..	1	7	7	7	Washington.
Wisconsin	Feb. 21	Milwaukee	158	1	1	..	26	6	32	1811	452 50	212 15	899 65	2	5	20	11	20	Wisconsin.
Subord's G. G. C.	..	..	53	2	3	..	4	5	7	352	..	..	..	..	2	8	..	7	Subord's G.G.C.
Totals, 1905	..	..	6684	428	142	9	877	770	1013	67896	28924 79	23377 24	39449 06	34	21	720	580	674	
Totals, 1904	..	..	6274	422	126	9	824	844	989	62904	26787 18	21327 44	30221 95	17	12	701	550	632	
Increase	..	..	410	6	16	..	53	..	24	4992	2137 61	2049 80	9227 11	17	9	19	30	42	
Decrease	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	74	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

ALABAMA.

1905—1906.

The Sixty-eighth Annual Assembly met at Montgomery, December 4, 1905.

The Grand Officers were all present, eight Councils were represented, and two P. G. M's. sought the scene of their former labors.

Grand Master Bloch is an optimist, sees the best side of everything. In his eyes Religion, Politics, Business and Masonry are flourishing and the sunny South wears one broad smile. He says the Cryptic degrees MUST not be neglected, and proceeds to emphasize his capital "must" by going to work and re-organizing several defunct Councils.

Even the finances are all right. For after paying all bills there is a balance in the Treasury.

He granted eight Dispensations, only one of which would have been necessary in California. Nor does a careful perusal of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Alabama reveal anything requiring the issuance of the same—or any authority for issuing them.

Grand Master recommended a Committee on Correspondence, but Grand Council could not "see it." However, at his suggestion they did increase the salary of the Grand Recorder.

He is now on velvet at $75 per annum.

On motion of the Grand Recorder, the Grand Council of Alabama unanimously resolved to seek shelter under the protecting wing of the General Grand Council, where all good Council chickens should cuddle together.

There were but three deaths in the entire membership during the year. Who will say that there is not a healthy state of affairs in Alabama?

Eight Councils, 373 members.

BEN. M. JACOBS, Birmingham, Grand Master; GEORGE A. BEAUCHAMP, Montgomery, Grand Recorder.

The Sixty-ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Alabama was held in the city of Montgomery, December 3, 1906.

All Grand officers were present except Chaplain.

Three Past Grand Masters responded to the roll call and all the Councils were represented.

Grand Master issued but one dispensation and that was for the organization of a new Council at Ensley, named Zabud Council.

He made a number of appointments of Representatives to other Grand Councils, and that appears to be the sum of his doings. No visits are reported. But when the calamities came upon our State, and

solicit new members, and the Council receiving such members to pay $5 of the fee to the Grand Lecturer.

It seems to us that this is placing the Cryptic Rite on a level with the thousand insurance fraternities that flood the country.

Grand Council had the wisdom to ignore the recommendation.

A Charter was granted to Adoniram Council Number 12 at La Junta. An amendment to the Constitution was adopted providing for voting in Grand Council, and specifying who are voters and to how many votes each one is entitled.

Companion ERNEST LENEVE FOSTER, who, by his faithful nine years' service as Grand Recorder has earned promotion, was relieved of his duties, temporarily only as we hope, and was elected Grand Master.

How much better this than conferring on him the empty title of Honorary Grand Master!

Eleven Councils, 522 members.

ERNEST LENEVE FOSTER, Denver, Grand Master; JOHN H. JACOBSON, Denver, Grand Recorder.

ILLINOIS.

1906.

On the Twenty-fourth day of October, 1906, the Grand Council of Illinois held its Fifty-fourth Annual Assembly in the city of Chicago.

All the Grand Officers except Treasurer were present. Seventeen Past Grand Masters graced the occasion, and Thirty-nine Councils were represented.

Grand Master had been very busy during the year, but enjoyed the work. One new Council had been organized and a few dispensations had been granted.

He thinks that the S. E. degree should be "treated with more consid-"eration and made a portion of our work and not a farce." He also favored union with the General Grand Council, but the Committee to whom the recommendation was referred "sat down on it."

Routine business alone was transacted. Companion WARVILLE in his report rightly attributes the absence of California from the list of proceedings to the slight tremor felt last April. Our Report went up in smoke, but late in the day Companion DAVIES got out the Proceedings, which have reached Illinois 'ere this. Under Indiana he says: "A "Council U. D. is simply a congregation of Masons acting in conformity to powers delegated to them by the Grand Master, and as the Grand Master is without power to affiliate any one it is difficult to perceive how he can delegate a power which he does not possess." The argument is unanswerable, yet how is it that a Council U. D. can greet new members under authority from Grand Master, who has no power to greet them himself? We make new members, and demit and affiliate

old ones in all our Masonic bodies U. D. and no harm has come to the order thereby.

He congratulates Kentucky on the work of her young and vigorous Grand Master, and hopes that his successor may follow the same lines, in which case he predicts an excellent showing for the year to come.

He "gets after" Companion GRANT for several of his errors and says that an equilateral triangle has no base. If we remember rightly, many years ago we were requested to approach the Base of a triangle that certainly was equilateral.

Companion WARVILLE complains that the Correspondents are devoting their time to reporting, not reviewing, consequently he finds very little to criticise, and that accounts for the brevity of his report. Come out, Companions. Give us your ideas, and we will have a little Donnybrook fair of our own.

Under Vermont he controverts SHAVER of Kansas on the "Real Presence" question.

Where would the realty owners of San Francisco be if the "actual presence" of the deed was necessary to ownership and occupation? Here also the Records as well as the deeds were destroyed, and yet "my land is my own."

At the close of his report Companion WARVILLE occupies nearly four pages in discussing the origin of the Cryptic degrees. We do not believe this question will ever be definitely settled as the convincing evidence does not exist. If our Cryptic ancestors could have forseen the strife on the subject they would, no doubt, have left us memorial of the Ancient Craft which would have been authentic.

Fifty-one Councils, 4001 members.

ALBERT T. HEY, Springfield, Grand Master; GIL W. BARNARD, Chicago, Grand Recorder.

INDIANA.

1906.

The Fifty-first Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Indiana was held on the 16th day of October, 1906, in the city of Indianapolis.

All of the Grand Officers were in their places, sixteen Past Grand Masters appeared, and sixty-one Councils were represented. Only Fayette Number 6 failed to send a delegate.

In his report of the doings of the year Grand Master says nothing of any visits. His dispensations were few—one for a new Council and two to elect officers. The four Councils U. D. were constituted by deputies together with the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, the Grand High Priest and the Grand Commander. Grand Master issued an appeal to the Masonic Bodies in behalf of the sufferers by fire and earthquake, for which he was severely criticised by a Member of the Grand Council, and charged with violating his O. B. He ably defended

himself, and we hope that his critic is repenting in sack-cloth and ashes. Grand Council sustained the action of the Grand Master. Booneville Council paying no attention to the letters of the Grand Master and Grand Recorder, and failing to send Reports and dues, lost its Charter.

Grand Treasurer had $5033.60 on deposit and Grand Recorder reported 609 greetings during the year.

Some $2000 of the money contributed for the California sufferers, not needed for their relief, being still on hand, it was decided to ascertain the will of the Councils, and if they consent, to keep it on hand as a special fund to be used in cases of emergency.

The word "meeting" in the Constitution and Laws was changed to "Assembly."

The Committee on Distinguished Dead referred to that noble Roman Cato as a Greek Philosopher. As he has been among the Distinguished Dead a long while he will probably take no notice of the error.

A jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Master—the usual compliments and congratulations were passed around, and the Grand Council was closed.

Grand and General Grand Recorder MORDHURST writes the Annual Cryptic Review for the seventeenth time.

WARVILLE says that as MORDHURST is in better health than last year, he, (MORDHURST) fares tolerably well.

"So say we all of us." Yet, at the very beginning of his Review—under Arkansas—he speaks of the wise sayings of "Our friends WARVILLE and GRANT," as "*Vagaries*," and he quotes a "wonderful spurt of eloquence" from the Address of the Grand Master of Colorado. Which certainly is fearfully and wonderfully made, beside referring to the new seal of the aforesaid Grand Master as an "invaluable piece of junk." All through his lively report he keeps the rocks flying, in most cases hitting those only who deserve it.

We think his dyspepsia is fast being cured.

Sixty-two Councils, 4684 members.

JAMES K. ALLEN, Terra Haute, Grand Master; CALVIN W. PRATHER, Indianapolis, Grand Recorder.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

1906.

The Twelfth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Indian Territory met at Ada, April 18, 1906. All the Grand Officers, six Past Grand Masters and the representatives of nine Councils were present. He organized two new Councils, which the Grand Recorder in his report calls "hale and hearty youngsters." Because he found Cryptic Masonry "inactive and practically dormant," Grand Master reports that he issued every dispensation desired without asking any embarrassing

questions. His liberality, however, was not severely taxed as but three dispensations were requested.

Grand Recorder takes a more optimistic view of affairs and thinks the Rite doing fairly well.

The Proceedings of last year having been so fearfully muddled by the devil and his imps, no charge was made for them. Dear at that. We miss Companion MURROW's Correspondence report. Wake up, Companion, and let us hear from you next year.

Eleven Councils, 260 members.

CHARLES C. KNEISLY, Guthrie, Grand Master; JOS. S. MURROW, Atoka, Grand Recorder.

IOWA.

1906.

The Seventh Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Iowa met at Marshalltown, October 2, 1906.

All the Grand Officers except Conductor and Sentinel answered the roll call.

Four Past Grand Masters appeared and eighteen out of 21 Councils were represented.

Grand Master had fond anticipations of the Session of the General Grand Council at Boston, but on account of business engagements was doomed to disappointment.

Companion CLEVELAND as his representative had the pleasure of meeting the M. I. Companions and was honored with the office of General Grand Marshal. How he conducted himself at the Hub, is evinced by the fact that he returned 20 per cent of the amount allowed for expenses into the Grand Treasury. Most of us would have "blowed it all in," beside depleting the Privy Purse.

Grand Master issued a few dispensations and started the S. E. Degree in motion. This appears to be the sum of his labors. Grand Treasurer reports a gain of $500, while Grand Recorder's report show a net loss of 71 members, which Grand Master says was to be expected.

Why, we do not know.

A sketch of Grand Master Alberson follows the Proceedings, presenting a most enviable record of a worthy Brother Companion and Sir Knight.

Companion CLEVELAND presents his fifth report on Correspondence, and hopes that it may be read, especially by those drones who received the degrees free of cost during the days of the Merger and who now stand aloof and render no assistance to those who are endeavoring to gain for the degrees a permanent and respected place in American Masonry.

He greatly enjoyed the meeting of the General Grand Council, and has great expectations for Savannah in 1909. May we be there to meet him.

We were wondering while reading Companion CLEVELAND's report, why, in so full a review, we found so little to comment upon. But under Kansas he says: "The Grand Councils are moving along in the even tenor of their way, arousing but little friction, or provoking discussion upon which Correspondents can swell their Reviews into large proportions." That explains it! When we get to be altogether good, the Correspondent's occupation will be gone. Under Kentucky he criticises, and we think justly the "Dark and Bloody" color of the proceedings, yet as an illustration of the power of bad example, lie here before us New York, Vermont and our own California swathed in the same super-excellent Royal Purple.

Our accustomed light blue was far better suited to our sunny complexion.

Under Oregon he says: "Why Grand Officers will persist in calling other jurisdictions 'Sister Grand Councils,' etc., passeth our understanding, as we know of no rule for determining the sex of Masonic bodies."

We think the sex deserves some recognition, as we cling to the "relic of barbarism" which deprives us of the Society of our wives, etc., at Masonic meetings, we may consider the whole institution as constructively of the feminine gender.

He has no use for the Tennessee Cryptic Factory. Grand Council made Companions, seem little better than those made in Chapter. It is too much like legitimizing a child by marriage of its parents after birth. It is *legal* and that is the best that can be said of it.

Twenty-one Councils, 922 members.

H. C. SHADBOLT, Emmettsburg, Grand Master; ALFRED WINGATE, Des Moines, Grand Recorder.

KANSAS.

1906.

The Thirty-eighth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Kansas met at Topeka, February 19, 1906.

Present, all Grand Officers except Chaplain, eleven P. G. M.'s, and the representatives of nine Councils.

From the short address of the Grand Master we quote: "It is not only unwise, but beneath the dignity and importance of the Rite, either to complain of conditions existing at the present time, or to urge measures which might require those seeking Masonic light to pass through the circle of the Cryptic Rite before obtaining that which they seek."

Which in our opinion is good sound sense. He reports no visitations, decisions or dispensations, his only act appearing to be the issuing of credentials to Grand Representatives.

The reports of other Grand Officers show little work done, a net gain of only three, but a comfortable balance in bank.

Kansas is not dead, but is taking a nap just at present.

However, Comp. SHAVER, Grand Recorder, is wide awake and gives us an excellent report. He quotes our little talk at the session of 1905 and states that personally he is in favor of anything to stimplate Cryptic growth.

Since that time Oakland Council has held two "extra-territorial" sessions, one at Berkeley and one at San Leandro, both of which were largely attended and brought quite a number of Royal Arch Masons into the Cryptic fold.

Concerning our election of Comp. T. A. DAVIES as Grand Recorder, he says: "It looks as though the General had set the boy at work."

The "boy" has been at work for several years, and we felt that he ought to have the name as well as the game.

He cannot concur, under Kentucky, in Comp. GRANT's criticism of Kansas' free and easy time. He says: "We sit in our families and informally talk over matters for the common good. A parliamentary motion would be then as much out of place as it would have been in the family Grand Council talk.

"In this case a motion followed by a circumscribed parliamentary discussion and vote would have failed to have put the Comps. present in possession of the facts regarding conditions, which were brought out in the free, informal discussion."

In our own case, we have much more freedom and can express our thoughts more easily seated in the friendly circle than while on our feet in a deliberative body. By all means let us have the informal talk for a change, and many a Bro. usually silent will voice opinion which may change the current of our ideas and influence us to act for the common weal.

We can truly say that if one-half the Kansas Comps. would do their duty one-half as well as Comp. Shaver has done, his report for 1907 would show a growth that would put Kansas on the top shelf with Michigan, Ohio and Massachusetts.

Ten Councils, 1002 members.

CHAS. S. BIXBY, Ossawatomie, Grand Master; WM. M. SHAVER, Topeka, Grand Recorder.

KENTUCKY.

1906.

The Grand Council of Kentucky held its Seventy-ninth Annual Assembly in the City of Louisville, October 15, 1906. The entire corps of

Grand Officers reported for duty, as did fifteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of seventeen Councils. Peace and harmony prevailed during the year, and the Grand Master found little to do. He reported one visit and two dispensations. Also, he appointed a committee to examine the by-laws of the Councils, to see that they do not conflict with the constitution and laws of the Grand Council. All the doings of Grand Officers were approved by Grand Council, and the constitution was amended to provide for the Committee on By-Laws, as asked for by Grand Master.

By another constitutional amendment Comp. H. B. GRANT's title was changed. As "Reporter on the doings of other Grand Councils" he failed to give us any report, much to our disappointment. We hope he is incubating an extended review for 1907.

Thirty-one Councils, 1208 members.

SAMUEL LEIDIGH, Louisville, Grand Master; H. B. GRANT, Louisville, Grand Recorder.

MAINE.

1906.

The Fifty-second Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Maine met at Portland, May 2, 1906.

The Grand Master and Grand Principal Conductor of the Works were absent. All other Grand Officers answered when their names were called, as did thirteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of all the sixteen Councils of the jurisdiction.

The Grand Master's address was read, in which he expressed his regrets that he could not be with the Comps. and that he had been unable to do all his duty.

Business interests compelled his absence from the State. However, what is one man's loss is another's gain. The Deputy Grand Master profited by his superior's absence.

He not only made all the visits assigned him, but also those which Grand Master failed to make. His specially full report of the banquets show that he had a particularly good time. No business of importance.

Comp. Albro E. Chase continues as Correspondent. He gives an interesting report, as he wields the scissors with exquisite ability. But we search in vain for his opinions in the premises. Consequently we can excerpt little from his report, as we have noticed his most interesting quotations under their appropriate headings.

Sixteen Councils, 3644 members.

ALEX. A. BEATON, Stockton Springs, Grand Master; STEPHEN BERRY,

MARYLAND.

1905-1906.

The Thirty-second Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Maryland was held in the city of Baltimore, November 22, 1905. Present, all the Grand Officers, four Past Grand Masters and the representatives of eight Councils.

Grand Masters' work appears to be above the average. He visited seven Councils, besides attending all the assemblies of his own, and managed to get along with but two dispensations. He thinks Cryptic Masonry is on the up grade though making rather slow progress.

Grand Lecturer reported thirteen visits to Councils outside the city of Baltimore. The three city Councils he visited times too numerous to mention.

All Councils but one had done work during the year. Grand Treasurer reported the finances on a sound basis, having $213.25 to the good.

The Grand Master, other business being completed, installed five Thrice Illustrious Masters of Subordinate Councils.

Query—Had these Companions been presiding in their Councils, and representing the same in Grand Council, not having been installed?

No Committee on Correspondence owing to slender bank account.

Eleven Councils, 827 members.

GEORGE COOK, Baltimore, Grand Master; JAMES W. BOWERS, Baltimore, Grand Recorder.

The Thirty-third Annual Assembly met November 21, 1906, in the city of Baltimore. Present, all Grand Officers except P. C. of the Works. Six Past Grand Masters responded to Roll Call and eight Councils were represented.

Grand Master reported "tranquility, harmony and good fellowship" reigning throughout the jurisdiction. He says nothing of visits, and refused a dispensation which would involve a violation of the Constitution. Said Constitution keeps Councils strictly at home. We are not so "cabined and confined," but can go out into the country on occasion and enjoy the fresh air. Grand Lecturer, however, had a busy year, as he visited all the Councils—some of them several times. All did work during the year, and all were in a better condition than ever before.

The financial statement of Grand Treasurer showed a pleasing gain in the cash balance.

The matter of adopting the S. E. Degree was referred to a committee. A few Thrice Illustrious Masters were installed and Grand Council closed in Ample Form.

Eleven Councils, 917 members.

GRAHAM DUKEHART, Baltimore, Grand Master; JAMES W. BOWERS, Baltimore, Grand Recorder.

Portland, Grand Recorder.

MASSACHUSETTS.

1905.

A Special Assembly of the Grand Council of Massachusetts was held at Milford for the purpose of constituting Milford Council, which was done in due form by the Grand Master, and proclamation thereof made by the Grand Master of Ceremonies.

This new Council starts out with a charter list of fifty-one members.

Special Assemblies were also held at Boston and Springfield for the purpose of exemplifying the work.

The Annual Assembly (we judge it to be the 80th) was held in the city of Boston, December 13, 1905. Present all the Grand Officers except Conductor. Four P. G. M.'s responded to roll call, and twenty-two Councils were represented.

Grand Master congratulated the Companions on the fact that for the first time in many years ample funds were on hand to meet all ordinary expenses, also upon the high standard of the work and the general prosperity of the Rite. He speaks of the celebration of the centenary of the Order of the Temple in Boston, to which he was invited as the Representative of the Grand Council, and hopes that the future "may serve to strengthen the ties which bind to each other these two branches of our great institution. We have failed to discern the "ties," though they ought to exist.

Outside of hearing addresses and reports, Grand Council seemed to have nothing to do.

The only business reported was the refusal to approve a by-law, whereby life membership money to the extent of $40 should be doled out to the Council at the rate of $3 per year, thereby, as the committee reported, killing the goose that laid the golden eggs.

Comp. J. G. WAITE presents his eighth report, giving California two pages.

He makes a slight error—Comp. SUTHERLAND was G. M. in 1905, and it is from his address that Comp. WAITE quotes so freely.

He thinks our idea of conferring the Council degrees in Chapter rooms in places within Council jurisdiction "of somewhat dangerous import."

We can't see it in that light. All the necessary paraphernalia which is not to be found in any well equipped Chapter room, can be carried in a suit case, and any Chapter in the State will gladly lend anything needed.

Indeed, most of our Councils have no paraphernalia and even use the Chapter aprons.

So far, our experience is that the plan is a good one. We have twice gone to neighboring towns and greeted a number of Companions and visitors and visited enjoyed the occasion.

Under Georgia, like most correspondents, he quotes largely the peculiar lucubrations of the G. M. They certainly attracted the attention of every reader thereof, and many of his sentences will bear a second reading and prolonged meditation thereon.

Especially his reference to "Parrot Ritualism." Why not purchase phonographs and place them at the several stations. Then you would have "absolute accuracy," if that is all that is wanted. Under Kentucky, he quotes Comp. GRANT on the Broken Triangle, but without comment. For our part we think Companion GRANT is right. If you subtract one from three, the remainder is two—not two and three-quarters—or one plus two-thirds plus one-third.

Under Louisiana he quotes Grand Master ALFREDS' declaration of independence, wherein he refuses to be a mysterious vermiform appendix to any other body, or a stepping stone to something which "accident may have attached to the body politic." All of which is rough on the K. T.'s. He quotes a Grand Master, who says:

"Don't be afraid to invite your wives and sweethearts to your banquets."

To which we shout several "Amens," and could add much on the same subject but for fear of losing caste in the Order. We have a few "relics of barbarism" even in Masonry.

He notices under Ohio the fact that Cincinnati Council No. 1, has for many years worked without a Charter.

This brings up the question as to what a Charter is. Is it the paper or parchment with Seals, etc., or is it like a franchise which exists, and can be proven by oral testimony, even though the written or printed evidence be destroyed? The San Francisco fire wiped out all the Masonic Charters of the bodies meeting in the Temple. Yet they continued to meet and work. Is not a Charter like a deed? My land is mine, and I can plow and sow in case of loss of deed until I can get a new one.

Companion WAITE likes the phraseology of the amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Council of Wisconsin, to which we have elsewhere referred, requiring that the S. E. degree be conferred with the "dignity and decorum required by the Ritual."

We have often conferred that degree and never have countenanced anything like levity. It and the Royal Arch degree are solemn and impressive ceremonies and should be conferred like a church service, yet it is well known that if the Th. Ill. or H. P. will allow it, there are some Companions who will make a farce of both.

All of our Councils have the Ritual of the S. E. Most of them confer it. With us it is a side or honorary degree approved by Grand Council and we confer it on any regular S. M. who may be present.

We hope to get Companion WAITE'S 1906 report before we go to press.

Twenty-eight Councils, 6882 members.

EDWIN S. CRANDON, Cambridge, Grand Master; J. GILMAN WAITE, Boston, Grand Recorder.

MICHIGAN.

1906.

The Grand Council of Michigan assembled for the forty-eighth time in the Masonic Temple in the city of Saginaw, May 14, 1906.

Present, the Grand Officers (Grand Lecturer excepted), twelve Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of fifty-five Councils.

From the opening pages of the Grand Master's address we infer that he is one of the select few who really appreciate what Masonry is—a religious organization whose "chief end and aim is the fitting of the soul for the unending life hereafter."

Speaking of the Order of the Temple and the Scottish Rite, he says:

"The Mysteries unfolded in the preceding degrees, while of value in our present lives, are intended also to spur us on to the reception of the final instruction, wherein the great Mystery of life is sought to be made comprehensible."

Grand Master makes none of the usual excuses or regrets for non-performance of duty.

He needed none, for he attended strictly to business, as the prosperity of Grand Council attests.

He recommended that Michigan no longer keep her degrees on the "$5 cheap bargain counter," but that the fee be raised to $10. Grand Council changed the Constitution to that effect.

The reports of the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer show a gain of 307 members and $418.10.

The Grand Lecturer, who performed his duties for ten years in a manner no where excelled, was called from labor to refreshment and his report was written by his widow.

She says: "I am not so versed in Cryptic Masonry as in some other work," yet her report shows that she knows much more of real Masonry than do many who display the jewelry of the High Degrees.

During the year Grand Council was called to mourn Grand Lecturer, Grand Chaplain, Three Past Grand Masters and two Past Deputy Grand Masters.

Grand Master issued but six special dispensations, four of which would be necessary in California.

Three new Councils were organized.

Companion C. A. CONOVER, Grand Recorder, presents the report on Correspondence. Mind, he does not call it foreign. California gets a good notice, and he welcomes us among the *young 'uns*. Perhaps we will fall in that category, though over forty years of Masonry has whitened our patriarchal beard, for a man is only as old as he feels.

Concerning Companion CONOVER we quote WARVELLE, who says:

"He confines himself to reporting, says nice things about everybody, and indulges in no controversial arguments. Perhaps that is the better way." Perhaps it is—yet, when we see a head, we are strongly tempted to hit it.

Fifty-eight Councils, 5802 members.

ARTHUR H. MCCLOUD, Detroit, Grand Master; CHARLES A. CONOVER, Coldwater, Grand Recorder.

MINNESOTA.

1906.

The Thirty-seventh Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Minnesota was held in the city of Minneapolis, October 8, 1906.

Grand Chaplain and Grand Steward were missing. All other Grand Officers present, with thirteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of the Seven Councils of the jurisdiction.

In his address the Grand Master shows his appreciation of Masonry and its high ideals. He says:

"The philosophy of Masonry teaches man to be true to every trust, to be honest with his neighbor, to be upright in his business dealings, to be faithful in his family and domestic relations, and true to the high purposes of his manhood."

Like other Grand Masters he enjoyed the meeting of the General Grand Council and the S. E. degree worked by Boston Council.

It appears that the Constitution forbids the issuing dispensations to elect candidates at a special meeting. Grand Master rejoices at the inhibition, as it relieves him from much responsibility. He granted a dispensation for a new Council at Sank Center, and on his recommendation Grand Council issued a Charter. No decisions were asked for. Routine business was soon transacted and the members of Grand Council enjoyed two bounteous suppers and three degrees in one evening, which must have taxed both the mental and physical digestive powers.

Companion MONTGOMERY is on hand with his sixteenth Report on Correspondence. He shows excellent discrimination in his quotations but expresses no opinion of his own.

For reasons already stated California is not mentioned.

Eight Councils, 908 members.

WM. CLARK ALLEN, Minneapolis, Grand Master; THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul, Grand Recorder.

MISSOURI.

1906.

The Grand Council of Missouri met in its Forty-first Annual Assembly in Kansas City, April 24, 1906.

All the Grand Officers except Steward were present, together with six Past Grand Masters.

Thirteen Councils were represented.

Grand Master gave an exhaustive account of his doings during the year. While not satisfied with his work (and no *live* man ever is) he had accomplished more than the average amount. He established one new Council, and made some visits, beside knocking at the door of every Council in the State.

He says: "When you find a Council without earnest and zealous Officers, you find it sleeping at its post."

And the reverse is equally true.

Grand Council made the S. E. an honorary degree, which, with regular routine business, appears to be all that was done.

We welcome among us Companion R. F. STEVENSON, the new Correspondent. Some years ago we witnessed the splendid manner in which he did work in another branch of Masonry, and we are assured that his supply of gray matter will be sufficient to complete the task assigned him in a creditable manner.

He laments the lack of straw, but announces his intention of using "bats," if he cannot turn out perfect bricks fast enough to keep out the impending storm.

No, Companion STEVENSON, that storm is "all in your eye." The skies are clear, and you are unanimously elected an active member of the Correspondence circle. The initiatory ceremonies are very simple, and the motto, "Do your Best," you fully understand.

He sails in quite lively in his two-page review of California. No, Companion STEVENSON, we are not a physician, though we can doctor up a piece of broken machinery on occasion. But Companion MURROW started in on a course of surgical terms and we had to come back at him in his own language, even if it sounded like Choctaw. We are waiting to hear what Companion BARLOW has to answer to his libel on the Connecticut Companions. If there is anything that Connecticut prides itself upon is its steady habits. Why, even the Shriners draw their Zem Zem from the city hydrants. We took our first three degrees in Connecticut, and well remember the steadiness of Connecticut Masons. We "got up against it" that time. Under Georgia, he voices our sentiments much better than we could do. He says that in the Grand Master's address are gems of thought and pictures of gold.

Thinks that "disputes and questionings are the best indication of an aggressive working association." Yes, if those disputes are argued in a fraternal manner. The dead are peaceful, and the bitterest enemies can lie quietly side by side.

Let us have life, even at the cost of a little friction. We will wager that after a few years he will be more respectful toward Companion

WARVILLE. From our safe retreat, this side of the Rockies, we dare say that we coincide with Companion STEVENSON's conclusions.

Under Indiana, speaking of our accusation against Companion MORDHURST of throwing rocks at the Scottish Riters, he says: "We have sometimes wondered what kind of yeast is used in making 33rds in both jurisdictions, the result in so many cases exhibiting acidulous characteristics." Now, in our own case, we are sweetness itself. Companion MORDHURST may have been raised by the "salt rising" process (attic salt), but the result is mighty good bread.

Under Indian Territory, he thinks the big devil and all his imps worked to spoil the proceedings. We thought the devil was to pay when $1000 was charged for a dispensation, and the "Eternal Dead" were mentioned. All good Masons contend that

"There are no dead
The forms alone did die."

He ventures to say that in his Evangelistic work Companion MURROW never before apologized for the devil. Under Iowa, he very properly criticise the habit of speaking of Death as a reaper of cruel harvest, when every Mason is taught to regard him as a "kind messenger," and that however much the grave may *yawn* it can never hold a victim.

Under Michigan, he cannot appreciate the pleasure derived from the "addition to the necessities of the Home by the Order of the Eastern Star." We thought, while reading the Michigan Report, that Companion MURROW's big devil had got into the printing office, and we still hold to that opinoin.

We have enjoyed Companion STEVENSON's report. Fifty-four pages is pretty good for a beginner. We vote that he be considered no intruder, but fully entitled to the rights and privileges of the S. V.

Fourteen Councils, 1325 members.

NEBRASKA.

1906.

The Grand Council of Nebraska assembled for the Twenty-seventh time in the city of Omaha, December 12, 1906.

The places of Deputy Grand Master, Grand Principal Conductor of the Works and Grand Chaplain were found vacant.

Nine Past Grand Masters were present and sixteen Councils were represented.

Grand Master reported that he had constituted (by proxy) the two Councils to whom Charters were given last year.

He had visited two working Councils and witnessed the conferring of each of the degrees.

Four Councils being in a moribund condition, Grand Master visited them. Two showed signs of life, and promised to do their best to get into active operation. The other two were past resuscitation.

A number of dispensations were issued, one of them for a two days session. Grand Master doubted the advisability of this, but waived his doubts and let the Companions go ahead. He also had hopes of three new Councils in the near future.

Grand Treasurer reported the finances in a sound condition, and Grand Recorder showed a net gain during the year of 144 members.

The report of Correspondence is by Twenty-three different Companions.

Companion FRANCIS E. WHITE, Grand Recorder, reviewing Arkansas, New York and the General Grand Council. California gets a page of notice by Companion GEORGE W. LINIGER.

As might be expected, these reviews are quite full and well written, as most of the reviews had but one Grand Council to report on it was comparatively easy to do a good job. But there is a lack of the individuality so conspicuous in the work of the other Correspondents, and while it is interesting reading, we find little to comment on.

Twenty-one Councils, 1092 members.

CHARLES C. CANNON, Schuyler, Grand Master; FRANCIS E. WHITE, Omaha, Grand Recorder.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

1905.

The Forty-fourth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of New Hampshire was held in the city of Concord, May 15, 1905.

All the Grand Officers were present except Steward. Ten Past Grand Masters responded to roll call and eleven Councils were represented.

We quote from Grand Master's address a couple of sentences which it would be well for every member of a Grand Body, or any legislative body, State or Federal, to strictly heed.

He says: "You are to participate in the transaction of such matters as may seem best to you to consummate or to undertake.

"Turn neither to the right nor to the left, but express our loyal devotion * * * * by the faithful performance of duty, and by so doing assuredly guarantee the continuance of all these things which characterize prosperity and happiness of today."

Grand Master had divided the Councils between the first three Grand Officers for the purpose of visitation, but failed to perform all of his part of the duty. Deputy Grand Master and Grand Principal Conductor of the Works did much better, and from their reports we consider the condition of the Councils in the old Granite State to be first class.

Grand Master made but one decision, viz: That petitions must be received at a stated meeting, and after the Constitutional period must be balloted on at a stated meeting, all of which may be waived, as it usually is, by a dispensation from the Grand Master.

A number of important amendments to the Constitution were laid over for action at the next Annual Assembly.

After paying all expenses Grand Treasurer had nearly a thousand dollars to begin the year's work with.

The Committee on Returns reported a membership of 1827, being a net increase of 40.

The Grand Master having announced that supper was ready, Grand Council immediately closed in Ample Form.

Companion FRANK D. WOODBURY, Grand Recorder, gave his usual full and good report on Correspondence. Why we have not received his 1906 report we can not say, for the Grand Council met in May of that year. Probably the reports of our litle shake were so exaggerated that he thought we were annihilated and there was no use of sending us anything. Such, however, was not the case. We of Oakland were busy in taking care of our Companions and friends who were rendered homeless by the conflagration across the bay. Our own troubles were so small that we hardly thought of them at all.

We hope that in this blessed year of 1907 Companion WOODBURY will see that we get his report in less than twenty-one months after the close of his Grand Council.

He gives two pages to California, 1904, says that the views of this Correspondent are generally sound. Well, we think so too, if we did not we would change them quickly.

There is nothing bigoted about us—Nothing gives us greater pleasure than to be compelled to change our views, by evidence, but we want that evidence to be convincing.

Companion WOODBURY's report being so far in the rear we find that we have discussed about all the points he brings up under other headings.

Fourteen Councils, 1827 members.

HARRY M. CHENEY, Lebanon, Grand Master; FRANK D. WOODBURY, Concord, Grand Recorder.

NEW JERSEY.

1906.

The Forty-eighth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of New Jersey met in the city of Trenton, March 20, 1906.

A large number of the Grand Officers had *MS* prefixed to the name of their office.

Thirteen Past Grand Masters showed their zeal for the Order by their attendance, and all seven of the constituent Councils were represented.

Grand Master wasted no words in his address. He had made a few visits, and had promptly performed the duties appertaining to his office. Reciprocal waivers of jurisdiction between New Jersey and New York were pleasing features of his administration.

The Grand Treasurer's balance, though small, was on the right side of the ledger.

Committees on Rituals, Monitors and Aprons reported. White triangular aprons, edged with purple and triangular flap, were recommended by the Committee and adopted by Grand Council.

Past Grand Master HIRAM E. DEATS reviews the proceedings of Thirty-one Grand Councils, California 1905 being among the number. He is very brief in most of his notices. Companion WARVELLE of Illinois gets his attention to the extent of four pages.

This is not to be wondered at, for the Illinois veteran has opinions and expresses them, and the rest of us must approve or dissent.

On naming Masonic bodies after Brethren we of California have had a little experience in that line, and we prefer that a Brother should be safely dead before we attach his name to any of our Bodies. "White Man Mighty onsartin."

He quotes largely from WARVELLE's opinion on Masonic advertising, especially the spectacular kind, which was unknown till borrowed from another organization, all of which is gospel truth. Under Indian Territory, he says "The Printer Murdered the Report." He did, and we, the jury, find it wilful and malicious murder in the superlative degree.

Companion DEATS quotes from many of the Correspondents but is shy about giving his own opinions. Come out, Companion, say what you think, and give the rest of us a chance at you.

Seven Councils, 691 members.

RICHARD C. CHAMBERLAIN, Trenton, Grand Master; JOHN B. BERTHOLF, Jersey City, Grand Recorder.

NEW YORK.

1906.

This Ancient Institution held its Ninety-seventh Annual Assembly in the city of Troy, August 18, 1906.

All the Grand Officers were present, eleven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of Thirty-three Councils, completed the Grand Council.

Grand Master reported several waivers of jurisdiction and the usual batch of dispensations. Several of the Grand Officers had visited the Councils, but if Grand Master made himself visible at any of the meet-

ings the Proceedings do not establish the fact. A number of Committees reported, but no business of importance came before Grand Council.

Companion M. I. J. W. COBURN reviews the Proceedings of Twenty-eight Grand Councils. The circular sent out by our Grand Recorder, Companion DAVIES, is noticed with his promise of full Proceedings as soon as possible.

The promise has been duly fulfilled.

Companion COBURN's style differs very much from that of his predecessor. He is chary of expressing his opinions, while OSGOODBY just bristled with them.

But the Volume of Proceedings, takes the entire pantry for beauty, even though it is clothed in Kentucky purple.

The illuminated triangle on the first page is a splendid feature, and the entire execution is of the best.

But whence comes the peculiar combination of triangle, circles, broken triangle and Tetragrammaton?

Twenty-four Councils, 4377 members.

FRED E. OGDEN, Buffalo, Grand Master; GEO. VAN VLIET, New York, Grand Recorder.

NORTH CAROLINA.

1906.

The Grand Council of North Carolina met in its Thirtieth Annual Assembly in the city of Charlotte, May 9, 1906.

Grand Steward and Grand Sentinel were the only officers whose voices were not heard at roll call. Two Past Grand Masters lent what of dignity they possessed to the occasion and six of the seven Councils were represented.

Grand Master rejoiced over the year's work, and held high hopes for the future.

Few dispensations had been issued.

One new Council was born, we may hope its career will be onward and upward.

Grand Master praises the good work of Enoch Council No. 5 in assisting at the resurrection of Ionic Council No. 9, and at the birth of Henderson Council.

His only regret arose from his inability to visit any of his own Councils, while he enjoyed the hospitality of the Grand Councils of New York and South Carolina.

The only business outside the regular routine, which appeared, was granting a Charter to Henderson Council U. D., and ordering a new one for Ionic Council No. 9 in place of one lost, strayed or stolen.

Companion SOUTHGATE reviews the Proceedings of Thirty Grand Councils, California 1905 being among them. Speaking of this Corres-

pondent he says: "How we would like to shake the Companion's hand." The desire is reciprocated, but the distance is so great that we fear it must be a "wireless" shake.

Under Indian Territory, he thinks that the requirement that $1000 be paid to the Grand Master whenever a dispensation is asked would act as an estoppel to such requests. Although this whereof he speaks is an invention of the devil (Printer's) it may be a good thing.

Why should a Grand Master be permitted to set aside the law? The only dispensations we see any use for are those for the formation of new Councils, and these are the performance of a duty enjoined, and set aside no law.

Under New York he speaks of a decision of that Grand Council, that a summons without the Seal of the Council is legal. We remember many years ago, that a certain presiding officer of a Masonic Body, with more zeal than discretion, issued a summons "under penalty" etc., on what the members considered a very frivolous pretext.

When the appointed time arrived there was no quorum present, and the said officer was profuse with threats of what he would do. But when his attention was called to the fact that the summons was printed, even including his own signature, and bore no seal, he changed his tune and asked for peace.

Under Tennessee he quotes the decision of his own Grand Master that he could not act as Grand Master, and also as Th. Ill. of his own Council. This may be right, but we have had several such cases here and no harm was done.

We were Deputy Master of our own Council during our term as Grand Master.

In conclusion Companion SOUTHGATE says he feels the "relief of the way worn traveler when he reaches his journey's end."

Why, Companion, this is an invigorating recreation and not a toil. We absorb vitality from every Report we review, and finish the job with a sense of renewed strength. We hope our gain is nobody's loss. We are no vampire.

Seven Councils, 290 members.

E. B. DEAN, Salisbury, Grand Master; JAMES C. MUHDS, Wilmington, Grand Recorder.

OHIO.

1906.

The Seventy-seventh Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Ohio met in the city of Columbus, October 2, 1906.

Present all the Grand Officers, seventeen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of all the Sixty-seven Councils.

This is the Great Grand Council, with nearly Ten Thousand Members, and the proceedings fill a volume of over 200 pages. The full

representation shows the interest taken, which accounts for the growth of the Rite in the jurisdiction. Past Grand Master W. T. McLEAN eloquently introduced several distinguished Masons, among them the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and the Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery. And they were seated in the East.

The various Masonic Bodies of Ohio recognize each other's existence, which is to their credit. We remember once, in our Grand Lodge, hearing a Past Grand Master, on whose expansive front a combined Templar's Cross and double eagle was conspicuous, ask the question:

"Who are these Knights Templar, Royal Arch, Cryptic and Scottish Rite people? Are they Masons? We do not know them as such, and we cannot unite with them in any enterprise."

That, we are sorry to say, seems to be the sentiment of our Grand Bodies.

Grand Master's address is very long, but it is interesting reading. He touches on nearly every point of interest, favors prerequisition and intimates that many Councils have little private prerequisition schemes. The same has been tried here with much success.

He says: "Any man who is so blinded by the flash of swords and the tossing of plumes, that he must needs rush through the sublime degrees of Ancient-Craft-Masonry with eyes that see not and ears that hear not the eternal verities upon which the entire structure rests, is no more fit for the accolade of Christian Knighthool than he was fit to be made an entered apprentice."

Grand Master is justly proud of Ohio's record as the greatest body of Cryptic Masons in the world, and he is not afraid to say so.

Grand Treasurer reports a snug balance of $6,140.85, and Grand Recorder reports a net gain during the year of 916 members. There is a full report of the affairs of the Masonic Home. Here again the fraternal spirit of Ohio Masons shows itself. Each of the Grand Bodies has representatives on the Board of Trustees, and all unite in praise of the Order of the Eastern Star, which built the beautiful hospital and presented it to the Home.

The report on correspondence is by Companion NELSON WILLIAMS, who writes a fine review for a beginner. He has evidently done similar work before. He has a friendly set-to with Companion CLEVELAND of Iowa, on the murders and suicides of Grand Councils some forty years ago, but winds up with a promise of friendship, and an invitation to lemonade. Those were dark days, Companion WILLIAMS. We are a little more civilized now. He gets after the Kentuckians pretty lively, criticizing their way of doing business and the Grand Master's assumption of power. At our distance this might be safe enough, but remember, Companion WILLIAMS, that only the Ohio's narrow flood separates you, and Kentuckians are raiders by heredity.

Under a number of headings he criticizes the issuing of special dispensations to elect candidates and confer degrees on the same evening. We trust our Councils to do what is right, and have no complaints or grievances and issue no such dispensations.

Sixty-seven Councils, 9167 members.

EDWARD H. ARCHER, Columbus, Grand Master; WILLIAM E. EVANS, Chillicothe, Grand Recorder.

PENNSYLVANIA.

1906.

The Sixtieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Pennsylvania met at Newcastle, February 27, 1906.

All the Grand Officers were present, with ten Past Grand Masters and the representatives of twenty Councils.

The volume of proceedings is large, as befits the great Keystone State. The Grand Master's address is long, and shows much work done and a thorough appreciation of his duties. He visited twenty-three Councils and reported in full. The craft were prospering in nearly all localities. Noticing the scarcity of Cryptic Masons in the great city of Philadelphia, he organized a new Council there.

And yet there is room.

He don't believe in dispensations, yet as it is the custom, he set aside his own feelings and granted them by wholesale.

We like our way the best. Very few dispensations are granted by our Grand Masters, because we allow Councils to act their own pleasure in conferring degrees and electing members.

He recommended a two-year term for the Grand Master, but Grand Council settled that matter by electing a successor.

Grand Treasurer reported a balance of $2178.16.

Grand Recorder FRANK W. M. MARTENIS presents his annual able report on correspondence, two pages of which are given to California.

He quotes largely from G. M. Sutherland's address, especially his beautiful closing words, and notes our report of 1904.

From him we learn that Florida had a meeting of Grand Council January 19, 1906, of which we have as yet had no report, our latest being a leaflet giving results of a meeting January 20, 1904.

Under Illinois, he reports Companion CHASE's researches into the history of pre-requisition.

He thinks that they have queer ideas in Kentucky, possibly attributable to the standard beverage, and gets after Companion GRANT on account of the "dark and bloody" hue of his cover, with printing so obscure that it is impossible to read it with a spy glass"—tells him to "wake up, this is the twentieth century," coolly appropriates his table of birthdays of Grand Councils, and winds up with another reference to the cover of the Proceedings.

Under Michigan he quotes the Grand Lecturer: "Hold your regular meetings, whether you have candidates or not. Let your Council have the reputation of doing the work better than any other body.

"Impress it upon the mind of the R. A. M. that he does not possess a full understanding of the beauties of Masonry, but that the Council degrees are what he must have to complete his Masonic education."

To all of which we give our unqualified assent.

Twenty-four Councils, 3324 members.

CHARLES W. WOLFERTZ, Allentown, Grand Master; FRANK W. MARTENIS, South Bethlehem, Grand Recorder.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

1905.

The Grand Council of South Carolina held its Forty-sixth Annual Assembly in the City of Charleston, February 14, 1905. The Grand Officers were all present with one exception, and five Councils were represented.

Grand Master in his address shows that he keeps a stiff upper lip.

One silver ray emerges from behind the dark cloud of inanition. One dormant Council has been aroused and has gone to work. Grand Master recommended a change to the G. G. C. style of apron and an appropriation for a Committee on Correspondence, in which Grand Council concurred, but failed to support him in his endeavor to eradicate the imaginary line that bounds a State and allow Companions to petition the nearest Council. Grand Recorder DAVIS writes the first report on Correspondence ever published by this Grand Council. He fulfills the prophecy we made. All he needed for the last quarter of a century was "leave to print." He has evidently "kept up a thinking" during his years of silence, and we will now get the benefit thereof.

Six Councils, 206 members.

F. E. HARRISON, Abbeville, Grand Master; ZIMMERMAN DAVIS, Charleston, Grand Recorder.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

1906.

The Forty-seventh annual Assembly was held in Charleston, February 13, 1906. All of the Grand Officers were present and all of the six Councils were represented.

Grand Master Harrison regretted that Cryptic Masonry in South Carolina is so slow. "Room for improvement is the largest room in the house." We recommend that he get into wireless communication with Alabama. He rather delicately hints that perhaps "Prerequisi-

tion" might be a good thing, even though some of those passing through the S. V. might have their gaze riveted upon the Shrine.

Changing the simile, he would say: "Make the meshes of your net finer and stronger. Haul in all the fish you can, and you will probably get some that are fit to eat."

We fear, however, that those who are headed for the Zem Zem wells usually remember the Lodge Chapter and Commandery simply as parts of the toilsome journey they are compelled to take to reach their goal, and that the nine arches would but be a cause of additional fatigue.

Like many of his predecessors, Grand Master tried his hand at raising the dead, but the long departed breath would not return.

However, he found a bit of living protoplasm, which he believes will soon evolve into a perfect being.

He recommends to all Companions a perusal of Companion DAVIS' report on correspondence. We concur, and would go further and say that no harm would ensue if all Companions would read the report of their own and other Grand Councils.

Death had called Past Grand Master G. T. BERG and seven other Companions.

The Committee on Grand Master's address paid him some well-earned compliments, but in regard to prerequisition thought the time not yet ripe. We think it was ripe long ago, and that its present state is expressed by another word commencing with R.

Companion DAVIS' second report on correspondence keeps up to the mark set by his first effort. We are sorry that he did not get a copy of FAY HEMPSTEAD'S Triennial Souvenir. It was a beauty, and cost so much money and labor that Companion HEMPSTEAD has had no chance to make himself heard since its appearance. Companion DAVIS wonders at our large Councils. Four of ours have each more members than the Grand Council of South Carolina; one has more than double. We sent him the menu of our Thanksgiving dinner, that he might see that we use better bait than does the Shrine.

Under Illinois he notes WARVELLIE'S criticism on the change of apron. We still keep to the old triangular style.

Under Washington, he does not understand the meaning of Honorary Past Grand Master. We would the term brevet instead of honorary, as being a more truthful and appropriate title.

Six Councils, 207 members.

GEO. S. MOWER, Newberry, Grand Master; ZIMMERMAN DAVIS, Charleston, Grand Recorder.

TENNESSEE.

1906.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Assembly was held at Nashville January 29,

1906, all the grand officers, ten Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of thirteen Councils being present.

Grand Master does not follow the customary rule of telling the good resolutions he made at the beginning of his term.

Instead, he reports what he has done, to-wit: Visited every one of the eighteen Councils of the State. On these occasions "work was done, business transacted, instructions given and speeches made for the good of the craft." Where is the next Grand Master who will make such a report?

Greenville Council sent in a lengthy memorial, complaining of the fact that Grand Council confers the degrees for $5 and charges no dues. The complaint appears to have been well founded, for Grand Council immediately proceeded to raise the fee to $10 and established annual dues of $3. Companion M. F. FLENNIKEN reviews the proceedings of thirty-two Grand Councils. In his opening he hopes that he has presented something that will interest and instruct, and we think he has succeeded. In many instances he has been obliged to defend the custom of Arkansas and Tennessee in making Cryptic Masons in Grand Council.

There poor orphan children would have to be healed if they came to California.

Eighteen Councils, 662 members.

ANDREW P. TROGDEN, Sparta, Grand Master; WM. A. CLENDENNING, Nashville, Grand Recorder.

TENNESSEE.

1907.

The Fifty-seventh Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Tennessee met in the City of Nashville, January 28, 1907.

Present, all the Grand Officers, twelve Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of eighteen Councils.

Grand Master made no visits, nor was he asked to make any decisions. Dispensations were granted to organize four new Councils and he reports "the usual number of dispensations to elect and install officers."

He announces the death and burial of two Councils.

Tennessee adopts our plan of allowing Councils to visit any place under their jurisdiction and hold meetings in the room of any legally constituted Royal Arch Chapter.

Charters were granted to Parsons and Decaturville Councils, U. D.

A resolution was presented and laid over until next year which tends to lessen the output of the Grand Council Cryptic factory.

Companion FLENNIKEN says that as soon as the Grand Council gets out of its swaddling clothes measures will be taken to confine the conferring of degrees to the Councils.

Is this pleading the "baby act"?

Companion M. F. FLENNIKEN presents a very full review of the proceedings of twenty-eight Grand Councils.

California gets a page, but we wonder what Companion DAVIES will say when he sees the name of HENRY ASCROFT as Grand Recorder. Companion ASCROFT is so good a Grand Lecturer that we cannot let him sail under false colors, even so far away as Tennessee.

Companion FLENNIKEN'S remarks on the rendition of the S. E. degree by Boston Council makes us wish we had been there. We have never witnessed this degree outside of our own jurisdiction, and while our own Council confers it in a solemn and impressive manner, we have not the proper paraphernalia or music, which would render it much more beautiful.

Eighteen Councils, 732 members.

JOHN HART, JR., Livingston, Grand Master; WM. A. CLENDENNING, Nashville, Grand Recorder.

VERMONT.

1906.

The Fifty-third Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Vermont was held in the City of Burlington, June 12, 1906. All the Grand Officers were present except Grand Marshal.

These, with seven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of fourteen Councils, constituted the Grand Council.

Grand Master's address was short and sweet. While from its tone we should judge that he had done some visiting, he does not so report. On one occasion, however, he "invaded the jurisdiction" of New Hampshire, and with the Grand Master of that State and other illustrious Companions visited Washington Council No. 10 at Lebanon. The several Deputies reported in most instances work done and well done. One or two Councils are sleepy, but it is to be hoped that after a short nap they will awake refreshed and at once resume labor.

A net gain of twenty-four members and $168.64 was reported.

Companion MARSH O. PERKINS gives us his usual good report on correspondence, noticing California, 1905. He says that bodies U. D. are non-existent. Perhaps they are theoretically, but with us "that which is not" appears like that which is, and the bodies U. D. work and act as though they were very much alive. He is surprised that Grand Master SUTHERLAND advocated putting Councils on wheels. Had he attended the meetings of Oakland Council, held at Berkeley and San Leandro, he would have been more surprised at the large classes and excellent work done on those occasions. Possibly a Council, like an individual, is the better for getting away from home once in a while. Under Georgia he quotes the Grand Master as follows, and says it is right to the point: "The fact that so few inquiries

have been made for an interpretation of the law might indicate perfect harmony, a thorough knowledge of the statutes, or indifference on the part of the Companions * * * but my observation leads me to believe that disputes and questions are the best indication of an aggressive working association."

Right, but "disputes and questions" must be handled in a fraternal manner, else they tend to disruption. He notices the "devilment" in Indian Territory, 1905. We hope that, now Oklahoma is a State, Companion MURROW will see the desire of his heart, a strong Grand Council, and money enough to permit him to give us a report on Correspondence.

Companion PERKINS evidently does not believe in physical perfection.

Under Kentucky he speaks approvingly of Past Grand Master JOHN CLARK, who lost his right hand before he reached his majority, yet was a skillful workman. He was Master of his Lodge for twenty years, and for many years was Recorder of his Commandery.

We have always been taught that it is the internal, and not the external, qualifications that recommend a man to be made a Mason.

Seventeen Councils, 1319 members.

GEO. F. ROOT, Newport, Grand Master; HENRY H. ROSS, Burlington, Grand Recorder.

WASHINGTON.

1905.

Grand Council met at Bellingham in its Tenth Annual Assembly, all Grand Officers except Chaplain being present.

Seven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of seven Councils completed the Grand Council.

"Peace and harmony prevail; while there has been an increase in our membership, there is not the enthusiasm in our ranks to which this order is entitled." These words Grand Master quotes from his predecessor, and thinks them appropriate, now, henceforth and forever, unless something is done. (Why don't you do something?)

He thinks Grand visitations a grand thing, and immediately proceeded to visit, with satisfaction to himself, and with, no doubt, profit and pleasure to the fraternity.

The following resolution was adopted by Grand Council:

"*Resolved*, That membership in the Council shall be co-existent with membership in the R. A. Chapter; that when a Companion loses his membership in the Chapter and does not regain it within six months (through no fault of his) he loses his membership in the Council."

We do not understand this. If a Companion should change his residence, demitting from Chapter, and should be rejected by the

Chapter to which he applies, why should he lose his Council membership, so long as he continues to apply to Chapter every six months? If the words in parenthesis were to read (through his own neglect) it would seem more just.

Companion E. S. HARE, Grand Recorder, reviews the proceedings of thirty-one Grand Councils. He notices our self-denial act of 1904. Brevity and conciseness are the chief characteristics of his report.

Seven Councils, 596 members.

RICHARD J. GRAHAM, Seattle, Grand Master; E. R. HARE, Tacoma, Grand Recorder.

1906.

The only record of the eleventh Annual Assembly is a leaflet, stating that Grand Council met at Spokane June 19, 1906, was opened by the Grand Master and all the seven Councils were represented. A gain of twenty-four members was reported and the per capita tax was raised from twenty-five cents to fifty cents. Companion WESLEY C. STONE of Spokane was elected Grand Master and Companion E. S. HARE of Tacoma was re-elected Grand Recorder.

WISCONSIN.

1906.

The Grand Council of Wisconsin assembled for the Forty-ninth time in Milwaukee, February 20, 1906.

The principal Grand Officers were in their places. Three Past Grand Masters were sufficiently interested to attend and eight Councils were represented.

While Grand Master made but two official visits, he seems to have been very busy with the concerns of the Rite.

On his recommendation, Grand Council abolished jurisdictional lines; made the S. E. an honorary degree; empowered the G. M. to suspend the charter of any Council not conferring it with "dignity and decorum"; established the status of Companions to whom the R. and S. degrees were communicated during the dormancy of the Grand Council; continued the deputy system, and granted a charter to Waukesha Council, U. D.

Companion DREHER gives us a solid fifty pages of review, noticing twenty-three Grand Councils, California not being among the number.

Under Iowa, speaking of prerequisition, he says: "Drop it; do your work with dignity and solemnity. If the lessons of the Cryptic Rite are properly taught, the added light and instruction inherent in the degrees cannot fail to make interested members and applications will follow."

Mississippi having adopted a regulation citing non-affiliates of six months standing to appear before the nearest Council and explain their neglect, else be suspended from all the rights and privileges, Companion DREHER asks: "How can a Companion be suspended when he has contravened no Masonic law?"

All our California Masonic Grand Bodies have a law compelling affiliation within six months, and any Brother Companion or Sir Knight who neglects his duty passes at once into a state of suspended Masonic animation.

And we don't take the trouble to "cite" them, either. Under New Jersey he asks if regular business can be transacted at a special assembly. We were going to argue the question when we noticed that at the next assembly it was discovered that by an amendment to the Constitution made in 1884 the special assembly became a regular one.

HENRY SMITH, Milwaukee, Grand Master; W. W. PERRY, Milwaukee, Grand Recorder.

Twenty-one Councils, 2074 members.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT,

Committee on Correspondence.

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CHRONOLOGY

The ordinary calendar, or vulgar era is not generally used by Freemasons in dating their official documents. They have one peculiar to themselves, differing according to their various rites. The Masons in all parts of the world working in the York and French rites add 4000 years to the Christian era, calling it Anno Lucis—Year of Light; abbreviated A.·. L.·., thus the year 1908 would be A.·. L.·., 5908. (This fact has a symbolic reference, not because they believe Freemasonry is, but that the principles and light of the institution are, coeval with the creation.)

Masons practicing in the Ancient and Accepted rite use the Jewish Calendar, which adds 3760 years to the vulgar era, styled Anno Mundi —A:.M:.—year of the world. Or they sometimes use the Hebrew Year, which begins on the 17th of September, or 1st of Tisri, using the initials A:.H:.—Anno Hebraico—Hebrew Year.

Royal Arch Masons date from the building of the second Temple—530 B. C. Their style is therefore Anno Inventionis—A:.Inv:.—in the year of the Discovery.

Royal and Select Masters should date from the completion of Solomon's Temple, which would add 1000 to the Christian era. Their style is Anno Depositionis—A:.Dep:.—in the year of the Deposit.

Knights Templar date from the organization of the Order—1118. Their style is therefore Anno Ordinis—A.·. O.·.—in the year of the Order.

Those of the rite of Mizraim add four years to the usual computation of the age of the world; thus the year 1908 would stand A:.L:.5912.

Masons of the York rite begin the year on the first of January; but in the French rite it commences on the first of March.

GENERAL GRAND OFFICERS

OF THE

General Grand Council

OF THE

UNITED STATES

1906-1909

HENRY C. LARRABEE, Baltimore, Md.....*General Grand Master*

GRAFF M. ACKLIN, Toledo, Ohio.....*General Grand Deputy Master*

JOHN ALBERT BLAKE, Boston, Mass *General Grand Principal Conductor*

CHARLES H. HEATON, Montpelier, Vt.....*General Grand Treasurer*

HENRY W. MORDHURST, Ft. Wayne, Ind.....*General Grand Recorder*

R. PERRY BUSH, Boston.....*General Grand Chaplain*

EDWARD W. WELLINGTON, Ellsworth, Kan.....

.....*General Grand Captain of Guard*

GEORGE A. NEWELL, Medina, N. Y.....

.....*General Grand Conductor of Council*

WILLIAM F. CLEVELAND, Harlan, Iowa.....*General Grand Marshal*

FAY HEMPSTEAD, Little Rock, Ark.....*General Grand Steward*

JOHN T. KIMBALL, Boston.....*General Grand Sentinel*

The Tenth Triennial Assembly will be held in Savannah, Georgia, during the month of November, 1909.

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

of California

Officers Elected and Appointed at the Annual Assembly April 20th, A. D. 1908, A. Dep. 2908

*M.·.I.·.*WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR (11), GRAND MASTER.... .....825 *West Thirty-second Street, Los Angeles*

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COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

*M.·.I.·.*COMP. JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.1200 *Jackson St., Oakland*

The Forty-ninth Annual Assembly of this Grand Council will be held in the City of San Francisco, on Monday April 19th, A. D. 1909, Anno Dep. 2909, at 10 o'clock A. M.

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California assembled in Golden Gate Commandery Hall, San Francisco, Monday April 20th, A. D. 1908, A. Dep. 2908, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Companions were called to order by the Grand Master, Most Illustrious Charles Willis Norton, and the Grand Recorder directed to call the roll.

At the conclusion of the roll call Past Grand Masters James Bestor Merritt, Henry Ascroft and W. Frank Pierce were appointed a Committee on Credentials, and after a short recess, reported as present and entitled to seats the following members:

GRAND OFFICERS.

*M.·.I.·.*CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, *Grand Master.*
*R.·.I.·.*WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR, *Deputy Grand Master.*
*R.·.I.·.*WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY, *Grand Principal Conductor of Work.*
*R.·.I.·.*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand Treasurer.*
*R.·.I.·.*THOMAS ABRAHAM DAVIES, *Grand Recorder.*
*R.·.I.·.*THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT, *Grand Chaplain.*
*R.·.I.·.*HENRY ASCROFT, *Grand Lecturer.*
*R.·.I.·.*THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, *Grand Captain of Guard.*
*R.·.I.·.*BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT, *Grand Conductor of Council.*
*R.·.I.·.*JOSEPH ABNER COURTER, *Grand Steward.*
*Ill.·.*SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, *Grand Organist.*
*Ill.·.*GEORGE WASHINGTON PERKINS, *Grand Sentinel.*

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

Most Illustrious Companions:

WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES
FREDERICK FERDINAND BARSS.
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.
CHARLES LORD FIELD.
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.
W. FRANK PIERCE.
GEORGE PENLINGTON.
HENRY ASCROFT.
JACOB HART NEFF.
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT.

Representing SACRAMENTO COUNCIL No. 1—

JOHN MCINDEOR, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*

Companions—

WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE,
JAMES ELLSWORTH THOMPSON,
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY,
JOSEPH ABNER COURTER,
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL No. 2—

HENRY ASCROFT, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON, *Principal Conductor of Work.*

Companions—

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.
CHARLES LORD FIELD.
GEORGE PENLINGTON.
HENRY ASCROFT.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

STOCKTON COUNCIL No. 10—

CHARLES WILLIS NORTON, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companions—

WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES.
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL No. 11—

DANA REID WELLER, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companions—

WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR.

CHARLES SHERMAN ANDERSON.

Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

OAKLAND COUNCIL No. 12—

CHARLES FRANK THOMAS, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companions—

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.

W. FRANK PIERCE.

EDWIN ALLEN SHERMAN.

GEORGE HENRY SMITH.

CHARLES FRANK THOMAS.

Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

GATEWAY COUNCIL No. 13—

Companions—

JACOB HART NEFF.

JOHN GOULD BISBEE.

Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

VENTURA COUNCIL No. 15—

FREDERICK WILLIAM BAKER, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companions—

FREDERICK WILLIAM BAKER.

RICHARD OWEN ROBINSON.

DAVID RHODES DENISON.

Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

PASADENA COUNCIL No. 16—

Companions—

CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT.

BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT.

Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL No. 17—

THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, *Thrice Illustrious Master and Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companion—

EDWARD SWIFT WEST, *Proxy for Principal Conductor of Work.*

SANTA BARBARA COUNCIL, U. D.—

Companion—
ALBERT PERHAM HARDY, *Delegate.*

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS NEAR THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA.

M.·.Ill.·.Companions:

W. FRANK PIERCE ..... Arkansas
JACOB HART NEFF ..... Colorado
FREDERICK FERDINAND BARSS ..... Connecticut
HENRY ASCROFT ..... Kansas
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT ..... Kentucky
CHARLES LORD FIELD ..... Maine and New York
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY ..... Massachusetts
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE ..... Michigan
JOHN GOULD BISBEE ..... Minnesota
GEORGE PENLINGTON ..... Missouri
THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT ..... Oregon
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT ..... South Carolina
WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES ..... Vermont

RECAPITULATION.

All the Grand Officers are in attendance, together with twelve Past Grand Masters, the Representatives of thirteen other Grand Jurisdictions, the Officers, or their regularly appointed proxies, of nine chartered Councils, and Delegate from one Council under dispensation.

The Councils not represented are: Marysville, No. 3; Sonora, No. 5; Shasta, No. 6; Helena, No. 9; Santa Ana, No. 14. and Fresno, No. 18.

The report of the committee was received and concurred in.

There being a sufficient representation present, the Grand Council was opened in Ample Form, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the Grand Organist rendering an appropriate selection.

The Grand Master directed the Assembly to proceed with the business of the session and announced the appointment of the following committees:

On Reports of Grand Officers—

Companions—

JOHN GOULD BISBEE.
DANA REID WELLER.
BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT.

On Jurisprudence—

Companions—

CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT.
DANA REID WELLER.
WILLIAM PRESTON BUTCHER.

On Appeals and Grievances—

Companions—

BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT.
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY.
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD.

On Finance and Returns—

Companions—

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.
THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT.

On New Councils—

Companions—

GEORGE PENLINGTON.
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR.
HENRY ASCROFT.

On Necrology—

Companions—

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.
WILLIAM A. DAVIES.
GEORGE PENLINGTON.

Past Grand Master Henry Ascroft reported the death of the daughter of Companion David J. Reese, Recorder of Ventura Council, No. 15. It was ordered that the sympathy of the officers and members present at this Assembly be extended to Companion Reese in his bereavement, and the Grand Recorder directed to see that proper notice of the action of Grand Council was communicated to our beloved Companion in this his hour of sorrow.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

The Grand Representatives present were called to the East and heartily welcomed by the Grand Master. Replies were made in fitting terms to the salutations of M∴ Ill∴ Companion Norton, attesting the growth and prosperity of the Cryptic Rite throughout the several Grand Jurisdictions, with an assurance of a continuation of that fraternal affection which had ever existed in the hearts of the Members for California Companions and the Officers and Members of this Grand Council.

The Grand Recorder read reports from Representatives of this Grand Council near the Grand Jurisdictions of Maryland and Minnesota, and said reports, on motion of Past Grand Master Willett, were ordered published in the proceedings.

MARYLAND.

November 20, 1907.

Charles Willis Norton, Most Illustrious Grand Master:

Dear Sir and Companion: At the Assembly of the Grand Council of Maryland it was my privilege to be present and to represent the State of California in that body.

Your Representative, with those from other Jurisdictions, was most cordially welcomed and instructed to convey the fraternal regards of Grand Master Dukehart. As there was thorough harmony between the Grand Council of California and that of Maryland I had no further duty to perform.

Very respectfully and fraternally,
WILLIAM F. BEVAN,
Representative.

MINNESOTA.

Fergus Falls, Minnesota, 1907.

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council, R. & S. M. of California:

Dear Sir and Companion: The Grand Council of Minnesota met in its 38th Annual Session at St. Paul, October 7, 1907. The Grand Conductor of Council, Grand Chaplain, Grand Steward and Grand Sentinel were absent. The other Grand Officers, with fourteen Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of seven Councils, opened Grand Council in Ample Form. The Grand Master said: "Cryptic Masonry is progressing safely, soundly, surely. This is the message that I

bring to you: I can assure you that it has been a harmonious year and that we are in accord with the whole Masonic world." He announced in fitting terms the death of Grand Recorder Montgomery, and stated that in conjunction with the Grand Master, Grand High Priest and Grand Commander he had appointed Past Grand Master John Fishel to fill the vacancy; so Companion Fishel becomes Grand Secretary and Grand Recorder of the four Grand Bodies. The Grand Master's address is exhaustive. California, 1906, is noticed, and mention is made of our best report, the one that was in the nature of a burnt offering April 18th, 1906. Eleven Councils, 1002 members.

CHARLES B. JOHNSON, Red Wing, Grand Master. JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul, Grand Recorder.

Fraternally yours,

J. T. JOHNSON,
Representative.

Written reports were also received from Companions David Wlademer Lubeck and John Gould Bisbee, Grand Representatives respectively of the Jurisdictions of Washington and Minnesota, voicing the sentiments of fraternal regard expressed by the Companion Representatives, and reporting a state of peace and harmony existing throughout the Jurisdictions mentioned.

The reading of the minutes of the last Annual Assembly was dispensed with, printed copies of the Journal of 1907 being at the disposal of the members present.

The Grand Master then delivered his Address, which was closely followed by the assembled Companions and at its conclusion received their enthusiastic approval.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California:

ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANIONS: The year just closing has been a quiet one among the Councils of the Cryptic Rite. We are not able at this time to congratulate ourselves upon any great accessions to our membership, nor upon many new Councils. But there is room for congratulation in the fact that peace and harmony reign undisturbed through-

out the Jurisdiction, and that prosperity in a mild way attends upon nearly all the Councils. Throughout the year I have not been called upon to consider any grievances nor are there any to be disposed of at this session of the Grand Council. Nor have I been called upon to decide any disputed questions of jurisprudence. Throughout the State the best of feeling prevails.

Our membership for the year shows a net gain of 118, and the total number of Royal and Select Masters now in good standing in California is 2,125.

One council also has been added to the list, Santa Barbara Council U. D., which is now knocking at our doors for admission, claiming to be worthy and well qualified, and to have shown suitable proficiency to entitle her to this favor.

When one year ago I was elevated to the highest position in the gift of this Grand Council, I hoped to be able during my incumbency to visit at least a majority of the Subordinate Councils in my Jurisdiction, but now at the close of my term I am forced to admit, with regret, my failure to witness the fruition of my hopes. California is an empire in extent, and our Councils, though few in nember, are scattered. To visit them all requires much time, and for a busy man with his hands fully employed with other duties, is a task of considerable magnitude.

During the early part of my term sickness in my family rendered my presence at home imperative, and it was not until the opening of the new year that I was able to make any visitations.

In the month of February I made the rounds of all the Councils in the southern part of the Jurisdiction. On the evening of February 4th 1908, in company with Deputy Grand Master William H. Gaynor, Grand Lecturer Henry Ascroft and Grand Conductor of Council Ben B. Cartwright, I officially visited Los Angeles. Council No. 11. The Grand Officers were cordially greeted by the companions of this fine and flourishing Council. This meeting was graced by the presence of not less than four Past Grand Masters, all Companions of Los Angeles Council, to-wit: Henry Sayre Orme, August Wackerbarth, William Byron Scarborough and David Monroe Sutherland. The officers of this Council are proficient in their work and the degrees of Royal and Select Master were conferred in excellent style on a large class.

On the evening of February 11th, 1908, accompanied by Deputy Grand Master William H. Gaynor, and Grand Conductor of Council Ben B. Cartwright, I officially visited Pasadena Council, No. 16. This meeting was graced by the presence of Most Illustrious Charles Joseph Willett, Past Grand Master, a member of Pasadena Council. The hearts of the Companions of this Council are in the right place, and a very pleasant evening, socially and fraternally, was spent with them.

On the evening of February 12th, 1908, I officially visited Santa Ana

Council, No. 14. On this occasion the members of the Council availed themselves of the permission granted by resolution adopted at the session of the Grand Council of 1906, and taking with them their clothing and jewels repaired to the Chapter Hall at Fullerton, and there conferred Cryptic degrees upon a class of fourteen candidates. Before the opening of the Council a banquet was spread, to which all the Companions of Fullerton Chapter were invited. A large number accepted the invitation, and I cannot but believe that this meeting will be of material benefit to Santa Ana Council, and that more meetings of this kind by our Councils would be of advantage to the Cryptic Rite.

On the evening of February 18th, 1908, in company with Grand Lecturer Henry Ascroft, I officially visited Ventura Council No. 15. We were most cordially greeted by the Companions and a pleasant evening was spent in witnessing the conferring of the degrees.

On March 25th, 1908, Companion Ascroft and myself made the trip to Santa Barbara, and in the evening of that day officially visited and inspected the new Council, which has recently been organized and is now working under dispensation at that place. We found the Companions full of interest and zeal in the work, and saw them confer the degrees very creditably upon a large class. There is every reason to believe that Santa Barbara Council will prove one of the most flourishing on the list; its officers are earnest and proficient and I take pleasure in recommending at this time that a Charter be granted them.

On March 28th, 1908, in company with several Illustrious Companions from San Francisco, including Past Grand Masters Jacob Hart Neff, Franklin Henry Day and George Penlington, together with Grand Lecturer Ascroft, and Grand Principal Conductor of the Work William O. Girardey, I officially visited Gateway Council, No. 13, at Auburn. It was the occasion of an important meeting of Delta Chapter and the Meeting of the Council was held at 4 o'clock p. m. The Cryptic degrees were conferred upon a class under the direction of the Grand Master and Grand Lecturer. The Grand Officers and visitors were most cordially greeted and entertained by the Companions of Gateway Council.

I endeavored to arrange meetings with some others of our Subordinate Councils, but was unable to secure dates convenient to them upon which I could attend.

DISPENSATIONS.

On February 25th, 1908, I issued a dispensation to eleven Royal and Select Masters to open and hold a Council at Santa Barbara, to be called Santa Barbara Council.

On December 24th, 1907, I issued a special dispensation to Gateway Council, No. 13, to elect officers, said Council for good reasons shown having failed to hold its election at the statutory time.

BY-LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS.

On August 23d, 1907, I approved an amendment to the by-laws of Santa Cruz Council, No. 17, changing the date of its stated meetings to the first Tuesday in each month.

Los Angeles Council having submitted for my approval a proposed amendment to the By-Laws providing for a Board of Trustees and defining their duties, on October 17th, 1907, I approved the provision as a Standing Resolution, but not as an amendment to the By-Laws.

COMMISSIONS ISSUED.

The following Illustrious Companions have been commissioned to represent the Grand Jurisdiction of California near their several Grand Councils:

1907

July 17, Companion William D. Fletcher .....Nebraska
Sept. 16, Companion William F. Bevan .....Maryland

1908

Feb. 29, Companion J. B. Roberts .....Georgia

Throughout the year the Grim Reaper has been busy in our fields, and the following Companions have been called hence to that higher Lodge to which we are advancing.

There is no death. The choicest gifts
That Heaven hath kindly lent to earth
Are ever first to seek again
The country of their birth.
And all things that for growth or joy
Are worthy of our love or care,
Whose loss has left us desolate
Are safely garnered there.

The list is as follows:

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

Most Illustrious Companion, John William Rock, who died April 10, 1907.

Most Illustrious Companion, Eduard Keil, who died October 13, 1907.

Of Past Thrice Illustrious Masters there are five, whose faces we shall see no more:

Companion John William Rock, Sacramento No. 1, died April 10, 1907.

Companion Charles Milton Patterson, Marysville No. 3, died February 25th, 1907.

Companion Eduard Keil, Sonora No. 5, died October 13, 1907.

Companion Cornelius Hedges, Sr., Helena No. 9, died April 29, 1907.

Companion James Dean Wilder, Santa Ana No. 14, died March 19, 1907.

Thirty-nine Royal and Select Masters, members of Councils within this Grand Jurisdiction, have died within the year.

From time to time the Officers of our sister Grand Jurisdictions have notified us of the passing of many Illustrious Companions, both among the present and past Grand Officers. To all these we extend the heartfelt sympathy of the Companions of this Grand Jurisdiction.

The task of perpetuating in the archives of this Grand Council the record of the virtues possessed by, and the honors conferred upon these departed Companions, is assigned to our efficient Committee on Necrology, and in due time proper written testimony in the form of appropriate resolutions of respect will appear in our Journal of Proceedings.

In closing I desire to extend my sincere thanks to the officers of this Council, who have been ever ready to assist me in the duties of my office.

I desire particularly to thank Companion Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer, and Thomas A. Davies, Grand Recorder, for their ever ready, patient and intelligent assistance at all times.

C. W. NORTON,
Grand Master.

On motion, duly carried, the Address was referred to a committee of three, the Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master naming as such committee Past Grand Masters Jacob Hart Neff, Charles Joseph Willett and George Penlington.

The Grand Recorder, Grand Treasurer and Grand Lecturer presented and read their reports, which were referred to the Committee on Reports of Grand Officers, except so much thereof as referred to finances, that portion of said reports to go to the Committee on Finance and Returns.

GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:

Pursuant to the requirements of our Constitution I present the transactions of the Grand Recorder's office for the year ending with this our Forty-eight Annual Assembly, with a summary of the work for the year as shown by the returns of the sixteen Councils within this Grand Jurisdiction.

The Journal of Proceedings of the last Annual Assembly was printed and distributed as heretofore ordered by Grand Council, viz.: One copy to each Grand and Past Grand Officer, one copy to each Grand Representative to and from the Grand Council of California, three copies to each Grand Council with which we are in communication, and four copies each to our own Councils.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence, M.'.Ill.'. Companion James Bestor Merritt, is in the hands of the printer and will be published with the proceedings.

In Memoriams have been received from the Grand Jurisdictions of Arkansas, Connecticut, Illinois, Maryland, Missouri, Minnesota, Nebraska, New York and Ohio, reporting the loss of several Illustrious Companions, while we assembled here miss the familiar face of our esteemed friend and Companion, Past Grand Master Eduard Keil, who passed away in this city October 13th last. The report of the Committee on Necrology will also include the names of forty-three Companions, four of whom are Past Thrice Illustrious Masters. Pages will be set apart and fraternally dedicated to the memory of the illustrious dead.

On February 25th of this year a dispensation was granted by our Grand Master to eleven Royal and Select Masters to open a Council at Santa Barbara to be called Santa Barbara Council. They lost no time in getting to work, greeting twenty-three during the month of March, their returns showing a membership April 1st last of thirty-four.

The special dispensations issued, amendments to by-laws approved and Grand Representatives commissioned, have been reported by the M.'.Ill.'. Grand Master in his address.

Pursuant to the instructions of Grand Council at its last Annual Assembly, the several amounts contributed to the Council Relief Fund by Santa Cruz, Pasadena and Gateway Councils, to-wit, $20, $25 and $50, respectively, were in due time returned to them and their receipts therefor are in the hands of your Grand Recorder. The amount received from other Jurisdictions ($165) is still on deposit with the Bank of Alameda.

A summary of the annual reports shows as follows:

Number of Councils 19
Number of Councils working 16
Number of Councils making returns 16

Greeted during the year		152
Affiliated		15
Restored		7
		174
Withdrawn	8	
Suspended, non-payment of dues	1	
Excluded, non-payment o fdues in Lodge or Chapter	3	
Died	44	
		56
Gain		118

Membership January 31st, 1908, 2,125.

The receipts of the office have been for

New Council Dispensation to Santa Barbara	$ 15 00
Special Dispensation to Elect Officers to Gateway, No. 13	5 00
Annual Dues from Marysville, No. 3	19 50
Annual Dues from Helena, No. 9	34 50
Annual Dues from Sacramento, No. 1	128 00
Annual Dues from Oakland, No. 12	160 50
Annual Dues from Santa Cruz, No. 17	19 50
Annual Dues from Pasadena, No. 16	40 00
Annual Dues from Sonora, No. 5	50 50
Annual Dues from Ventura, No. 15	25 50
Annual Dues from Santa Ana, No. 14	53 00
Annual Dues from Shasta, No. 6	18 50
Annual Dues from Gateway, No. 13	33 50
Annual Dues from California, No. 2	193 00
Annual Dues from Fresno, No. 18	26 00
Annual Dues from Stockton, No. 10	58 50
Annual Dues from Los Angeles No. 11	314 00
Return Premium on Insurance Policy No. 47147	14 10
Total receipts	$1248 60

All of which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer.

There has also been received from M∴Ill∴ Companion C. W. Norton the following statement and a check for $31.93, being his unexpended portion of the Grand Council appropriation for the visitation expenses of the Grand Master; but as our books were closed April 9 this amount will appear in the Grand Recorder's report of receipts for the coming year.

C. W. Norton, Grand Master, in account with Grand Council, R. & S. M. of California.

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1908.

Feb. 2-20, railroad fare, round-trip to Los Angeles and return, with stops at Santa Barbara and Ventura	$33 32
Pullman accommodations, going, $1.50, returning $1.50	3 00
Feb. 2-20, hotel and meals while on tour of Councils in Southern part of Jurisdiction visiting Councils at Los Angeles, Pasadena, Santa Ana and Ventura	42 40
Feb. 11, return ticket Los Angeles to Pasadena	25
Feb. 12, return ticket Los Angeles to Santa Ana	1 00
Feb. 13, railroad ticket Fullerton to Los Angeles	70
March 24-26, visit to Santa Barbara Council, railroad ticket round trip Stockton to Santa Barbara	23 90
March 24, Pullman accommodations	2 50
March 24-26, meals	3 50
March 26, hotel at San Jose, returning	1 50
March 28, railroad ticket Stockton to Auburn	2 55
March 28, railroad ticket Auburn to Stockton	2 55
March 28-29, lunches	90
Balance of $150, returned by draft	31 93
	$150 00

The foregoing is a true and correct statement.

C. W. NORTON.

The reports, with but few exceptions, show substantial gains over the work of last year and the outlook is bright for the prosperity of Cryptic Masonry in the Jurisdiction.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. A. DAVIES,
Grand Recorder.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the M.·.Ill.·.Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of California:

The undersigned respectfully submits the following statement of receipts and disbursements of the Grand Treasurer since the last Annual Assembly.

FRANKLIN H. DAY, GRAND TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND COUNCIL, R. AND S. M. OF CALIFORNIA.

1907.			
April 15.	To balance cash on hand		$3501 65
June 30.	Dividend S. F. Savings Union	36 24	
Dec. 31.	Dividend S. F. Savings Union	38 19	74 43
1908.			
Feb. 3.	Received from Grand Recorder	$ 24 50	
Feb. 7.	Received from Grand Recorder	342 50	
Feb. 10.	Received from Grand Recorder	90 50	
Feb. 21.	Received from Grand Recorder	130 50	
Feb. 21.	Received from Grand Recorder	193 00	
Mch. 4.	Received from Grand Recorder	99 50	
Apr. 6.	Received from Grand Recorder	351 10	
Apr. 10.	Received from Grand Recorder	17 00	
			$1248 60
	Total receipts		$4824 68

Paid—

Mission Lodge Masonic Hall Association, rent of hall for April 15, 1907	20 00
J. E. Parmelee, lunch served Grand Council	25 00
C. J. Willett, appropriation for visitations	75 00
Samuel D. Mayer, services as Grand Organist	7 50
George W. Perkins, services as Grand Sentinel	7 50
Thos. A. Davies, Macoy bill for parchment	12 88
B. Pasquale Co., repairing Jewels and Paraphernalia of Grand Council	535 50
John R. Hillman & Son, Premium on Insurance of Grand Council Paraphernalia	6 40
James B. Merritt, Report on Correspondence	50 00
Shannon-Conmy Printing Co., sundry printing to March 4, 1908	48 50
Henry Ascroft, appropriation, expenses of Grand Lecturer	50 00

Thos. A. Davies, postage stamps for Grand Recorder's Office	15 00	
Walter N. Brunt Co., printing proceedings and sundries to August 3, 1907	301 00	
H. S. Crocker & Co., Office supplies	1 96	
W. T. Bather, 500 Steel engraved impressions, C. J. Willett, P. G. M	7 50	
Moise-Klinkner Co., rubber stamps	1 85	
H. W. Mordhurst, Grand Council dues to General Grand Council	40 14	
Mrs. K. McKine, rent and care of offices to May 1, 1908	60 00	
John R. Hillman & Son, Premium Policy No. 47,147 for $1000	20 60	
Chas. W. Norton, appropriation for visitations of Grand Master	150 00	
Thos. A. Davies, salary Grand Recorder to April 1, 1908	125 00	
Thos. A. Davies, sundry office expenses to April 1, 1908	9 60	
Disbursements		$1570 93
1908		
April 20. Balance on hand		$3253 75

(On deposit in San Francisco Savings Union.)

FRANKLIN H. DAY,
Grand Treasurer.

GRAND LECTURER'S REPORT.

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of California:

Illustrious Companions: At our last Convocation in April, 1907, I ventured the assertion of considerable progress in Council work in the imemdiate future, and thus far, we are proud of the record achieved, particularly so considering the financial stringency of the times, and the inevitable trials and tribulations evolved in commercial rehabilitation, and the struggle to secure a firm basis in our "Greater San Francisco," to the almost total exclusion of the social feature tributary to rest and pleasure. Nevertheless, we have no complaint to hold forth, but much, very much, to elicit our fervent gratitude to the "Bestower" of the blessings received.

SYNOPSIS OF VISITATIONS.

May 26th, 1907, arrived in Redding to visit Shasta Council, No. 6, and regret to express my disappointment in the apparent lethargy evi-

denced in the inability of the officers to call a meeting, there being no Master, and no one in the lead to take action, although several Companions were anxious to receive more light in Capitular Masonry, through the medium of Cryptic degrees. According to appointment, I continued my journey northward, and on my return I again stopped over at Redding, and upon further investigation, concluded that time must be gained, which, together with infused energy and assistance would do much to awaken the dormant condition of Shasta, No. 6.

November 14th, 1907, in Marysville, I ascertained that an unfavorable condition in the harmony of Marysville Council, No. 3, resulting in lack of interest and non-attendance at the meetings, the amelioration of which might be accomplished by a change of base. I would suggest Oroville as a very desirable location for a good working Council, and respectfully submit this proposition for the consideration of the Companions of Marysville, No. 3.

February 17th, 1908, accompanied by our Most Illustrious Grand Master, Companion C. W. Norton on a visit to Ventura Council No. 15, witnessing the conferring of the Royal and Select Master's Degree, the officers acquitting themselves in a very creditable manner, after which I assisted them in conferring the Super-Excellent Degree; a very pleasant reunion, notwithstanding the fact that a few of their "shining lights" withdrew for the purpose of organizing a new Council at Santa Barbara.

February 5th, 1908, accompanied by our Most Illustrious Grand Master, Companion C. W. Norton, visited Los Angeles Council No. 11, which, being the banner Council of the State, unquestionably accomplishes good work, and if, upon every occasion, they would add the Super-Excellent Degree, instead of only once a year, they could not be surpassed.

March 25th, 1908, assisted our Most Illustrious Grand Master, Companion C. W Norton, in organizing Santa Barbara Council, the officers displaying much enthusiasm and ability to accomplish very creditable work, from which we may infer they will render a good account in due time. I respectfully recommend that a Charter be granted to them.

March 28th, 1908, accompanied by Companions J. H. Neff, F. H. Day, F. W. G. Moebus and George Penlington, visited Gateway Council, No. 13, and assisted in conferring the degrees upon a class of eight candidates, a delightful reunion of old friends, tried and true; Gateway Council, No 13, is synonymous with Peace and Prosperity.

California Council, No. 2, my home Council, usually the last, but never the least, expresses a eulogy all her own, in the returns given by our Grand Recorder, and to whom I would refer you for further commendation.

Traveling expenses in connection with these visitations are as follows:

San Francisco to Santa Barbara and return, and sleeper	$25 80
San Francisco to Ventura and return, and seat in Pullman	27 90
Hotel at Ventura and meals on train	6 50
Total expenses	$60 20

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ASCROFT,
Grand Lecturer.

The report of the Committee on Finance and Returns was submitted, read and on motion of Companion Neff concurred in, its recommendations approved and the appropriations ordered made as recommended by the Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND RETURNS.

To the M:.Ill:. Grand Council of California:

Your committee has examined the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder and find them correctly kept in accordance with the regulations of the Grand Council. The cash balance of $3,253.75, as reported by the Grand Treasurer, is on deposit with the San Francisco Savings Union.

We recommend the following appropriations to cover the expenses of Grand Council for the ensuing year:

For printing journal of the present Assembly	$200 00
For expenses of Grand Master's visitations	150 00
For Grand Recorder's salary	125 00
For contingent expenses of Grand Recorder's office	50 00
For insurance premiums	12 00
For rent of Grand Recorder's office	60 00
For Chairman of Committee on Correspondence	50 00
For rent of hall, 48th Annual Assembly	30 00
For lunch	35 00
For testimonial to P. G. M. Chas. W. Norton	50 00
For services of Grand Organist	7 50
For services of Grand Sentinel	7 50
For special fund for re-printing Proceedings	500 00
For expenses of Grand Lecturer	60 20
Total	$1337 20

We have before us a detailed statement of the expenses of the Grand Master, showing a balance of $31.93, which he has returned to the Grand Recorder.

Owing to the destruction of all copies of proceedings prior to 1906 by the fire of that year it will be necessary at some time in the near future to reprint the same, and we have recommended an appropriation of $500 to be placed in a special fund as a nucleus for that purpose.

Your committee has also made a careful examination of the Annual Reports of the Councils working under the Jurisdiction of this Grand Body, and find that all have made complete and correct returns, accompanied by the Grand Council dues, for the year ending January 31, 1908.

We note that some of the Councils have been somewhat dilatory in forwarding their reports and would respectfully recommend that the several Recorders make an effort to prepare and have their Annual Returns reach the office of the Grand Recorder as soon after the first of February each year as possible, assuring them that prompt action on their part in this respect will greatly assist the Grand Officers in the preparation of their Reports for the Annual Assemblies and be thoroughly appreciated.

The total amount received for Grand Council dues as shown by the Returns, $1,214.50, we find to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES B. MERRITT,
THOS. O HEYDENFELDT,
WILLIAM M. PETRIE.
Committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

On motion of Past Grand Master W. Frank Pierce, Grand Council proceeded to the election of its officers for the ensuing year. Companions William Sherman Anderson and Edward Swift West were appointed tellers, the election held and the following named officers unanimously chosen to fill the stations for the year ending with the Forty-ninth Annual Assembly:

M.·.I.·.William Henry Gaynor, Grand Master.
R.·.I.·.William Ohmer Girardey, Deputy Grand Master.
R.·.I.·.Thompson Wilson Drullard, Grand Principal Conductor of Work.
R.·.I.·.Franklin Henry Day, Grand Treasurer.
R.·.I.·.Thomas Abraham Davies, Grand Recorder.

The tellers received the thanks of the Assembly and were dismissed.

Companion George Penlington, Chairman of the Committee on New Councils, reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW COUNCILS.

To the Grand Council, R. & S. M. of California;

Your Committee on New Councils have made an examination of the records of the Council under dispensation, located at Santa Barbara, and finding its workings in accordance with our laws and regulations, and with every prospect of a useful future, we recommend that its petition be received and that it be granted a charter under the name and number of Santa Barbara Council, No. 19.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE PENLINGTON,
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR,
HENRY ASCROFT,
Committee.

The report was concurred in and the Charter ordered issued to Santa Barbara Council No. 19, as recommended by the committee.

The Committee on Grand Master's address presented its report, which was on motion concurred in.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

To the Grand Council, R. & S. M. of California;

Your Committee to whom was referred the address of the M.·.Ill.·. Grand Master respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and heartily commend the conduct of the Grand Master in the performance of his duties; they recommend the reference to the proper Committees of those portions of the report that require reference; that all other portions of the report be approved, which shall include his action as to the approval of By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws of Constituent Councils.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB HART NEFF,
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT,
GEORGE PENLINGTON,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Reports of Grand Officers was presented and read.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORTS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council of R. & S. M. of California:

Your committee to whom was referred the reports of Grand Officers find the Books and Reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder to have been examined and approved as correct by the Committee on Finance and Returns; we recommend the adoption of their reports and that they be commended for their zeal and integrity in our service. The ability and energy of our Grand Lecturer are so well known and so thoroughly appreciated as to require no mention here. Suffice it to say that it shows that he has faithfully and well performed his duties.

It is to be regretted that such conditions should prevail as are shown to exist in the Councils mentioned in his report, but we feel that Companion Ascroft is perfectly competent to deal properly with the situation, and we further recommend that so much of the Grand Lecturer's report as regards Shasta Council, No. 6, and Marysville Council, No. 3, be referred to him for future action and report.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN GOULD BISBEE,
DANA REID WELLER,
BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT,
Committee.

On motion of Companion Heydenfeldt the report was concurred in and the recommendations of the Committee adopted.

Grand Council called off for lunch until 1 o'clock p. m.

Golden Gate Commandery Hall, 1 o'clock p. m. Grand Council called on, M∴ I∴ Grand Master Norton, presiding.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Companion Cartwright, chairman of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, reported peace and harmony prevailing throughout the Jurisdiction, with a bright outlook for the future of the Cryptic Rite in California.

The report was received, ordered placed of record and the Committee congratulated and dismissed.

The time having arrived for the Installation Ceremonies, the

Grand Master named M.·.Ill.·.Companion Henry Ascroft as Grand Marshal, and directed the Grand Recorder to read the list of officers elected and appointed to serve the Grand Council for the ensuing term.

The following named Companions were then duly installed and due proclamation made thereof by the Grand Marshal:

M.·.I.·.William Henry Gaynor, Grand Master.
R.·.I.·.William Ohmer Girardey, Deputy Grand Master.
R.·.I.·.Thompson Wilson Drullard, Grand Principal Conductor of Work.
R.·.I.·.Franklin Henry Day, Grand Treasurer.
R.·.I.·.Thomas Abraham Davies, Grand Recorder.
R.·.I.·.James Bestor Merritt, Grand Chaplain.
R.·.I.·.Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer.
R.·.I.·.Benjamin Brooks Cartwright, Grand Captain of Guard.
R.·.I.·.Joseph Abner Courter, Grand Conductor of Council.
R.·.I.·.Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt, Grand Steward.
Ill. Comp. Samuel David Mayer, Grand Organist.
Ill. Comp. George Washington Perkins, Grand Sentinel.

The officers and members of Grand Council expressed their appreciation of the courteous treatment accorded them during the session by the Superintendent and employees of the Golden Gate Commandery Company Building, and also of the excellent lunch furnished by Companion Parmelee and his assistants.

On motion of Companion Davies the thanks of Grand Council were tendered Past Grand Master Norton for the conscientious and efficient manner in which he had conducted the affairs of the Grand Master's office during the year just closed.

On motion of Companion Dana Reid Weller, it was unanimously resolved that an appropriation of fifty dollars be made from the funds of this Grand Council for the purpose of purchasing a Past Grand Master's Jewel for presentation to M.·. I.·. Companion Charles Willis Norton, as a slight token of the esteem of his Companion Royal and Select Master Masons of California. It was further resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to procure said testimonial and present same to Companion Norton, the time and place of said presentation to rest with the Committee.

PAST GRAND MASTER'S JEWEL

PRESENTED TO

M. ILL. CHARLES WILLIS NORTON

The Grand Master named as such committee Past Grand Masters William Abraham Davies, James Bestor Merritt and Henry Ascroft.

On motion of Companion Merritt, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Returns, the appropriation of $50 for the purchase of a Past Grand Master's jewel was ordered incorporated in the report of that Committee.

No further business appearing the minutes of the Assembly were read and approved and after prayer by the Grand Chaplain Grand Council was closed in Ample Form.

A true copy of the Proceedings of the Forty-eighth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters held in Golden Gate Commandery Hall, San Francisco, April 20th, 1908.

Witness my signature, with the seal of our Grand Council, and the attestation thereunto of our Grand Recorder.

W. H. Gaynor

Grand Master.

Attest:

Thos. A. Davies

Grand Recorder.

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Necrology

"Death his sacred seal hath set
On bright and by-gone hours;
And they we mourn are with us yet,
Are more than ever ours;
Ours by the pledge of love and faith,
By hopes of heaven on high;
By trust, triumphant over death,
In immortality."

In Memoriam

Most Illustrious Companion

John William Rock

Born in New York City in 1835.

Died at his home in Sacramento, California, April 10th, 1907, aged 72 years.

Past Master of Union Lodge No. 58, F. and A. M., located at Sacramento.

Past High Priest of Sacramento Chapter, No. 3, R. A. M.

Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Sacramento Council, No. 1, R. and S. M.

Past Commander of Sacramento Commandery, No. 2, K. T.

Grand Master of the Grand Council, R. and S. M., of California in 1882.

"Then may the acacia o'er his ashes bloom,
His memory still be cherished warm and bright,
Till the last trump shall call him from his tomb,
Again to mingle with the sons of light
In that Celestial Chapter, where, above,
The world's Grand Architect presides in love."

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"Who, who can fear to cease this faltering breath and be at home with God? And this is death!"

"They are gathering homeward, one by one. The ties of companionship here, be they knit ever so closely, must be sundered; it is as much a part of God's great and good plan for His children's welfare that they pass from earth as that they are born into it. Ours but to bow in reverent sorrow and from our hearts declare: Thou doest all things well; Thy will be done."

Most Illustrious Companions John William Rock and Eduard Keil have passed to that undiscoverd country, that place eternal in the heavens. Faithful and zealous Masons, good Citizens and Christian Gentlemen; conscientious in the discharge of every duty, their death will cause profound sorrow to all who enjoyed the pleasure of their acquaintance. Their loss will be keenly felt and their presence greatly missed.

Our Jurisdiction also mourns the loss of the following beloved Companions, who have answered the last summons since our Forty-seventh Annual Assembly:

Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

CHARLES MILTON PATTERSON, Marysville Council No. 3, February 25, 1907.

CORNELIUS HEDGES, SR., Helena Council No. 9, April 29, 1907.

JAMES DEAN WILDER, Santa Ana Council, No. 14, March 19, 1907.

Royal and Select Masters.

Sacramento Council, No. 1.

NELSON CHAMPLIN ..... December 9, 1907
PHILLIP HERZOG ..... June 7, 1907
FRANK TAYLOR JOHNSON ..... May 11, 1907

California Council, No. 2.

CHARLES FOLLEN BASSETT ..... July 20, 1907
JAMES HENDERSON BRUCE ..... June 15, 1907
NATHAN BROCKETT GRAVES ..... June 24, 1907
ALBERT DE MONTFREDY JOHNSON ..... June 13, 1907
EDWARD ARTHUR O'CONNOR ..... October 29, 1907
MORRIS SIMINOFF ..... February 28, 1907
LOUIS MICHAEL THIERBACH ..... June 11, 1907

Marysville Council, No. 3.

LEONARD BARNARD AYER ..... May 24, 1907
BARNARD ROSS BOORMAN ..... June 17, 1907
FREDERICK LOW KRAUSE ..... February 8, 1907

Shasta Council, No. 6.

WILLIAM ANDREWS ..... October 25, 1907
ELIAS DELEVAN GARDNER ..... January 3, 1908

Stockton Council, No. 10.

FRANK DICKINSON ..... May 13, 1907
ARNOLD FRIEDBERGER ..... January 9, 1908
MILTON PIERCE HENDERSON ..... December 22, 1907
JAMES WEBB SMITH ..... November 26, 1907

Los Angeles Council, No. 11.

ELI TUCKER BLACKMER ..... July 16, 1907
PATRICK COLBERT ..... February 23, 1907
CHARLES HORACE EASON ..... July 2, 1907
EMORY TAYLOR GREENE ..... May 26, 1907
WILLIAM HUTCHISON HENDERSON ..... June 23, 1907
PATRICK HENRY MACK ..... March 15, 1907
ALBERT HENRY MCGAFFIN ..... December 20, 1907
JOHN NEWTON SMALLEY ..... July 9, 1907
AMBROGIO VIGNOLO ..... August 14, 1907
BEN E. WARD ..... August 23, 1907

Oakland Council, No. 12.

SIMON FISCHEL ..... April 4, 1907
ALPHA HAYDEN GLASSCOCK ..... November 9, 1907
BENJAMIN COWELL HAWES ..... November 7, 1906
BRAYTON EVERINGTON HARDY ..... April 19, 1907
WILLIAM MEESE HEUSTED ..... June 6, 1907
HARVEY HUBBARD JOHNSON ..... June 10, 1907
FRANK GRANVILLE WATSON ..... February 17, 1907

Santa Ana Council, No. 14.

ROBERT FRANCIS CHILTON ..... August 16, 1907
FREDERICK CONN ..... August 10, 1907

Fresno Council, No. 18.

CHARLES BUNN SHAVER ..... December 25, 1907

"In Memoriams" received from other Grand Councils during the past year convey the sad intelligence that they too have cause to mourn the loss of Illustrious Companions, members of their own tribes and families. To them and to the families and friends of the Illustrious Dead we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

Sixteen Grand and Past Grand Officers, members of the Cryptic Rite in Sister Jurisdictions, have been called home. May we gather a lesson from their lives, that will be an inspiration to us in the future.

For "We, too, shall come to the river side
One by one.
We are nearer the waters at eventide,
One by one."

And when the toilsome race is ended, may we be exalted to that undissolving Lodge above; and in the glorious companionship of those who have journeyed on before, dwell in the joy of the Supreme Master forever.

Arkansas—mourns the loss of Illustrious Companion EDMUND METCALF, Grand Sentinel of the Grand Council of Arkansas, June 20th, 1907.

Connecticut—Most Illustrious Companion JOSEPH STEPHEN STOKES, Past Grand Master, June 20th, 1907.

Most Illustrious Companion WILLIAM HENRY PARMELEE, Past Grand Master, November 28, 1907.

Most Illustrious Companion DWIGHT WAUGH, Past Grand Master, February 20, 1908.

Illinois—Most Illustrious Companion PHILANDER W. BARCLAY, Past Grand Master, July 6, 1907.

Right Illustrious Companion ALMOND LEROY HAMILTON, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, June 15, 1907.

Illustrious Companion WILLIAM HARVEY PAUL, Grand Marshal, May 15, 1907.

Maryland—Most Illustrious Companion JAMES W. BOWERS, Past Grand Master; elected Grand Recorder in 1901 and serving as such until his death, January 8, 1908.

Illustrious Companion DR. ALBERT B. LYMAN, Grand Representative of the Grand Council of California near the Grand Jurisdiction of Maryland, August 29, 1907.

Missouri—Most Illustrious Companion NOAH MONROE GIVAN, Past Grand Master; elected Grand Treasurer and serving as such until his death, October 3, 1907.

Most Illustrious Companion WILLIAM RAENS STUBBLEFIELD, Past Grand Master, January 10, 1908.

Minnesota—Right Illustrious Companion THOMAS MONTGOMERY, elected Grand Recorder of the Grand Council of Minnesota in 1890, he served continuously in that capacity until his death, June 7, 1907.

Nebraska—Most Illustrious Companion GEORGE W. LININGER, Past Grand Master, June 8, 1907.

New York—Most Illustrious Companion GEORGE VAN VLIET, Grand Recorder; at the Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of New York, August 30, 1898, the honorary degree of Past Grand Master was conferred upon him, in recognition of his twenty-five years' service as Grand Recorder. November 1, 1907.

Ohio—Most Illustrious Companion DAVID C. WINEGARNER, Past Grand Master, June 17, 1907.

Right Illustrious Companion ROBERT V. HAMPSON, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Council of Ohio, from May 18, 1906, to the time of his death, January 14, 1908.

"They are out of the chaos living,
The wreck and debris of the years;
They have passed from the struggle and striving,
They have finished their goblet of tears;
They have ceased, one by one, from their labors,
So we clothed them in garments of rest,
And they entered the Chamber of Silence;
God do with them now what is best.

"We saw not the lift of the curtain
Nor heard the invisible door,
As they passed where life's problems uncertain
Will follow and vex them no more.
We lingered and wept on the threshold—
The threshold each mortal must cross—
Then we laid a new wreath down upon it,
To mark a new sorrow and loss.

"Then back to our separate places
A little more lonely we creep,
With a little more care in our faces,
The wrinkles a little more deep.
And we stagger—ah, how we stagger
As we lift the old load to our back,
A little more lonely to carry,
For want of the comrades we lack.

"But into our lives, whether chidden
Or welcome, God's comforters come;
His sunshine waits not to be bidden;
His stars—they are always at home;
His mornings are faithful, his twilights
Allay the day's fever and fret;
And night—kind physician—entreats us
To slumber, and dream, and forget.

O Spirit of Infinite Kindness,
And gentleness passing all speech,
Forgive when we miss in our blindness
The comforting hand Thou dost reach.
Thou sendest the spring on Thine errand,
To soften the grief of the world;
For us is the calm of the mountain,
For us is the rose-leaf uncurled.

"Thou art tenderer, too, than a mother,
In the wonderful Book it is said.
O Pillow of Comfort! what other
So softly could cradle my head?
And though Thou hast darkened the portal
That leads where our vanished ones be,
We lean on our faith in Thy goodness,
And leave them to silence and Thee.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS A. DAVIES,

For the Committee on Necrology.

RETURNS OF COUNCILS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

Grand Council of California

A. D. 1908, A. Dep. 2908.

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL, NO. 1.

SACRAMENTO, SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, last Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

James Francis Lyon, *T. I. M.*
John McIndeor, *D. I. M.*
August Frederick Lehrman, *P. C. W.*
William Monroe Petrie, *Treasurer.*
James Ellsworth Thompson, *Recorder.*
Richard Alderson, *C. G.*
William Hewson Davis, *Cond.*
James Scott, *Steward.*
Cephas Charles Olney, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Monroe Petrie, *P. G. M.*
William Hewson Davis, *P. G. M.*
Harry Ingham
Richard Vaughn
Richard Palmer Burr
Alexander John Gardiner
David Farr
Louis Cyrus Schindler
William Alexander January
Charles Richard Goss
James Ellsworth Thompson
George Dunn
Daniel Hyman
Thomas Joseph Hesson
Theodore Jones Milliken
William Ohmer Girardey
Egbert Alfred Brown
John Abner Courter

SELECT MASTERS.

Alexander, Robert
Alltucker, Henry
Anderson, Joseph Maurice
Baker, Alfred Septimus
Baldwin, William Hedges
Barton, Charles Thomas
Bassett, William Walter
Bassett, George Combs

Bates, Hugh Roland
Baughman, Noble Hanry
Baughman, Wm. Elias John
Bell, Henry Clay
Bittancourt, Thomas Maria
Beesley, Charles Henry
Block, Maurice
Bock, George
Book, Franklin Weaver
Booth, Albert Porch
Boyd, Joseph Charles
Bragg, Charles Lourin
Breuner, John
Breuner, Louis Frederick
Burgess, Alfred Llewellyn
Burnham, James Henry
Butler, Drury DeWolf
Butler, John Winchel Spencer
Camp, Charles Glasby
Carlson, Charles Alfred
Carroll, Edgar Barclay
Caselli, Ansono
Chapman, George Warren
Chrisman, Elmer Judson
Church, William Smithers
Clark, George Harvey
Clauss, John
Clemons, William Strong
Cohn, Edward Francis
Cook, George Nesbitt
Cooledge, Isaac Baldwin
Coppersmith, Michael Thomas
Cothrin, William Kip
Cox, Thomas Jones
Curtis, William Albert
Cuthbert, William Williams
De Coe, Culver Adam
Denson, Samuel Crawford
Derman, George Louis
Dierssen, George Ernest August
Douglas, William Wallace
Dreyer, Rasmus Peter Nielsen
Duden, Ellsworth Frederick
Dunbar, Marcus William
Feldhusen, John Henry
Folger, Alfred Gilbert
Forney, Henry Hinkle
Fox, Thomas
Foye, William Robinson Smith
Frahm, Claus
Frommelt, Hugo
Gardiner, Charles Francis
Gerber, William Emil
Gett, William Andrew
Gillis, Dugald
Gray, Frank Livingstone
Gray, Arthur Irvine
Guthrie, John William
Hale, Evert Wilbern
Hale, Marshal, Jr.
Hale, Prentiss Cobb
Hall, Thomas Bertram
Hall, Harry William
Hamilton, William Brown
Hammer, Mosheim Schumaker
Harms, Maynard Heim
Harper, Horatio Thomas
Harvey, Edwin Henry
Hatch, Wilber Mark
Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette
Haynes, Edward
Heilbron, Adolph
Heilbron, Henry August
Heintzelman, Taylor Washington
Heisen, Charles, Jr.
Heitman, John Henry
Hoffman, Daniel Webster
Hollister, Charles Edwin
Hollister, Frank E.
Hoover, Benjamin Van Zandt
Hopkins, Edwin Carmi
Ilgner, Charles William
Irvine, Richard Cutrer
Jackson, William Franklyn
James, James Merrill
Johnson, Hiram Warren
Johnson, Phillip
Johnson, Israel Joseph
Johnson, Howard Kennedy
Jordan, Leander Richard

Kercheval, Howard Douglas
Ketcham, Marvin Alonzo
Keyes, Homer Frost
Kiesel, Frederick William
Kirby, William Don
Kimbrough, Richard Oscar
Kleinsorge, Henry Emil
Kleinsorge, William Edward
Klune, John Bernhard
Knights, William Durrant
Knights, William Rudd
Knox, William Frederick
Krebs, Harry Garfield
Lane, George William
Lawson, Walter Brokaw
Levison, Jacob
Lightner, Bonus
Little, Christopher
Luce, John Coachman
Marzen, Joseph, Jr.
Maslin, Prentiss
Mathews, Charles James
McCandless, George Lindley
McEntyre, Dan Hugh
McKee, Edwin Hervey
McKee, James Anderson
McLaughlin, William
McMartin, John Alexander
McMaster, James Curtin
Meister, August
Meister, George Albert
Meyer, Johann Gerhard
Menke, Anton
Miller, Dwight Henry
Molter, Jacob Phillip
Morrison, James Mathew
Morton, Charles Wardle
Nichols, Arthur Lombard
Noack, Charles John
Ochsner, John
O'Neil, James
Peck, Nelson Stanley
Perkins, Charles Calley
Peterson, William Frederick
Phillips, Charles Avery
Phipps, Charles Edward
Phipps, William Thomas
Pike, John Elias Tucker
Platt, Philemon Eli
Pope, Samuel, Jr.
Prouty, William Harrison
Putnam, George Prescott
Randle, George Nelson
Pead, Herbert Alfred James
Rego, Edward Sunderland
Reid, Thomas Benton
Rideout, Benjamin Norman
Root, Charles Albert
Royster, William Alexander
Schadt, Frederick William
Scheunert, Carl Emil
Schmid, Emil
Schroth, John George
Scott, Thomas James
Sheldon, William Chauncey
Shonefelt, William Domer
Simmonds, William Shapel
Smith, Benjamin
Smith, Thomas
Springsted, Ernest Willard
Staunton, Frederick William
Stephenson, William Albert
Stephenson, Harley Howard
Stevenson, Henry Llewellyn
Steffens, Joseph
Steinman, Bernard Ulmer
Stober, Frederick Conrad
Stoll, Benjamin Franklin
Straub, John
Sweany, John
Teichert, Adolph
Towle, Arthur Warren
Tozer, Charles Walter
Ulp, Alfred
Van Fleet, William Carey
Vermilya, Abram John
Vaughn, Edward
Wachhorst, Eugene Stuart
Walther, Charles Frederick
Welch, Benjamin

Welch, George Drake
Weil, Edward Adolph
White, George Amos
White, John Lysander
Wiard, William Frederick
Wilcox, Robert Burns
Williams, Austin Daniel
Willis, Evander Berry
Winterburn, George Howard
Wood, William
Wood, Thomas
Wood, Henry Clay
Woods, Victor Hugo
Woodburn, Charles Gabriel
Woodward, George Allen
Wright, Charles Edward
Yardley, Herbert Edward
Young, John Nelles—230

RESTORED.

Richard Cutrer Irvine—1

DIED.

Nelson Champlin
Phillip Herzog
Frank Taylor Johnson
John William Rock—4

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	220		
Greeted	13	Died	4
Restored	1—234	Now borne upon the roll	230—234

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL, NO. 2

SAN FRANCISCO, SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Henry Ascroft, *T. I. M.*
Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt, *D. I. M.*
George Penlington, *P. C. W.*
Charles Lord Field, *Treasurer.*
Franklin Henry Day, *Recorder.*
Michael John Kelley, *C. of Guard.*
Joseph Francis Halloran, *Conductor.*
Henry Thompson, *Steward.*
Samuel David Mayer, *Organist.*
George Washington Perkins, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Franklin Henry Day, *P. G. M.*
Charles Lord Field, *P. G. M.*
George Penlington, *P. G. M.*
Henry Ascroft, *P. G. M.*
Robert Ash, *P. G. M.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Adams, Charles Albert
Aigeltinger, Edward Hugo
Aitken, John R.
Alexander, Joseph
Allen, Richard Spicer
Allen, Robert Edward
Andres, George Samuel
Andrews, Edwin Harold
Andrews, Thomas P.
Armstrong, George Robert
Ayers, Clarence Warwick
Baker, Charles Henry
Barbier, Howard Frederic
Barstow, William Addison
Bauer, Adolph Charles
Bauer, Chris John
Bauer, George William
Baum, David Andrew
Baum, Simon
Behrens, Ludwig Philip
Benedict, Courtland Smith
Beretta, Caesar Louis
Berry, De Los Tracy
Berry, John Lafayette
Bingham, William Alexander
Black, Howard
Black, Marshall
Blackman, Ellis Aaron
Blackman, Morris Jacob
Blossom, Henry Eckford
Bohle, Alfred Frederick
Bohls, Henry
Bone, Charles
Bonner, Ernest Chappell
Bonney, Charles Sumner
Booth, Frank Edmund
Bragg, Robert
Brandon, Frederick Duke
Braunschweiger, Edward
Bromley, George Tisdale
Browell, Jeremiah
Brunings, John Henry
Bruns, Henry Frederick
Brunt, Walter Neat
Bugbee, Maxwell Greene
Bullock, John Henry
Buswell, William Francis
Caley, John
Callinan, William
Campbell, Walter Chauncey
Caverly, Le Roy Eugene
Chamberlain, Philander Peregreen
Christian, Caesar
Clark, George Dickson
Cleve, Clarence Taylor
Cluness, William Ross
Coburn, Ira Winn
Collins, William Henry
Conlisk, Charles William
Cook, Joseph Wheeler
Cook, Morton Leon
Cox, Alexander Middleton
Crim, William Henry
Crocker, Henry Joseph
Crocker, William Henry
Cross, Charles Vernon
Cumback, William Elbert
Daggett, John Randolph
Davies, Llewellyn
Davies, Thomas Abraham
Davis, Burt Lincoln
Davis, Henry Harvey
Davis, Winfield Scott
Day, Thomas Henry
Decker, Charles William
De Lamare, August Jacques
Dietterle, George
Dobbel, Charles Henry Louis
Dobler, Charles
Dodd, Willis Gorman
Dominguez, Richard Arthur
Dow, Edwin Tyson
Dragomanovich, Spiro S. G.
Dunn, James
Dunne, James Patrick
Eagleson, John Geddes
Earle, Henry Halford
Easton, Daniel Elisha Foote

Easton, Wendell
Eckart, William Roberts
Eddy, Richard A.
Edwards, Hugh Pugh
Edwards, Thomas Clay
Edwards, William
Edwards, William Harvey
Eisner, Milton Sidney
Erdmann, Wm. George Berthold
Erlin, George Edwin
Eva, James Martyn
Eva, Samuel James
Everding, James Campbell
Ewart, David Fraser
Ferguson, Phineas Fanning
Fetz, Joseph, Jr.
Feudner, Martin Otto
Filmer, George
Filmer, William Parker
Flint, Thomas
Foster, Arthur William
Fox, Edwin Benton
Fraser, John P.
Frolich, Theodore
Fuller, William Henry
Gale, John William
Garratt, Benjamin Franklin
Gehret, Frederick
Geilfuss, Carl
Getz, Marcus
Gilberts, Edward
Goldman, Max
Gordon, James Edward
Gould, Charles Walter
Grauerholz, Henry John
Gray, John Hatfield
Gray, William Smith
Green, Charles Ernest
Gruenhagen, Charles Henry
Gruenhagen, Theodore Godlove
Haas, David Leopold
Hagbom, Emil Wilhelm
Hale, Reuben Brooks
Hall, Otho Norris
Hallett, Alonzo
Hammond, Samuel Chester
Hanselman, Andrew
Hansen, Frederick Ludwig
Hanson, William Henry
Harris, Marshall C.
Harris, Thomas Voel
Hassler, William Charles
Hatch, James Henry
Hawks, James Lawrence
Heller, Louis Charles
Hellwig, Christian
Henning, Hans Theodore
Hoffman, Henry Nathaniel
Hopkins, Timothy
Horn, Bernard Jeremiah
Hubbard, Henry Calvin
Huested, Orson Justus
Huff, William Henry Routin
Humphreys, William Penn
Hutchings, Hiram Samuel
Isaacs, Edward Samuel
Jacobs, Albert
Jacobs, Albert Pocorny
Jellison, Benjamin Franklin
Jewett, George Albert
Johnson, George
Johnson, Roosevelt
Jones, Edward Campbell
Keilus, Charles
Kent, Thaddeus Benning
Kern, Morris James
Kimball, Roy Thurston
King, Joseph Libbey
Kinne, Charles Mason
Kittredge, Ralph Bell
Klein, John Mathias
Koenig, Frank
Koenig, Friedrich H. W. D.
Kohler, Henry
Evans July 17
Koop, Otto Lewis
Kramer, Louis George
Krieg, Anton
Landgrebe, Robert George
Laumeister, Gustave

Law, Hartland
Lawrence, William Babcock
Lee, John, Jr.
Lester, Henry Charles
Lewandowski, John Anthony
Lewers, Robert
Lewis, William
Lippman, George W.
Long, Herbert Clifton
Lowell, Albert Carroll
Lucas, Walter Edward
Lunt, George William
Lyman, William Whittingham
Lynch, Henry Hudson
Lyon, William Henry
MacBain, John
Madison, Henry Bennett
Mangrum, Arthur Sherman
Mann, James Monroe
Manner, Charles Vogt
Manning, Horatio Seymour
Mansfield, Joel Henry
Marquis, Ferdinand Phileas Canac
Marsh, John Alfred
Martell, Harry Gaylord
Marvin, Harvey Arrington
Mathews, George Sumner
Maundrell, Harry
Mayo, Henry Browne
McAbee, Louis Francis
McCarty, James
McDougall, Charles Campbell
McKellar, Norman
McMillan, Robert
McWilliams, John Adam
Meigs, Anson Woodman
Merralls, William Augustus
Metzner, Charles Francis
Meyer, Arthur
Meyers, Jacob
Meyers, John Jacob
Miller, Thurlow Spragge
Moebus, Fred Wm. Gustav
Monckton, Frank Daniel
Moore, Andrew
Morgan, Charles Augustus
Mouser, Silas Mercer
Muller, Louis
Mundwyler, John Jacob
Murdock, George Leonard
Murphy, Charles Henry
Myrson, Simon
Nelson, Arthur Julius
Neuhaus, Christian Henry Fred
Neustadter, Louis William
Newhall, Edwin White
Newman, George Howard
Nicholas, Nahum
Niles, Edward Jackson
Nopander, Louis Nicholas
Noteware, Edward Washington
Nuttall, Hasalom
O'Connor, Joseph
Olsen, William
Otersen, Herman
Overgaard, Soren Knudsen
Parker, Theodore Roosevelt
Patton, Charles Lewis
Payne, Warren Ritch
Peck, Philip
Pennington, George W.
Pennington, Thomas
Perine, George Mairs
Perkins, Samuel Henry
Perley, Albion Starbird
Phillips, William Rippard
Pike, Charles William
Poole, John Wesley
Price, William Edmund
Prince, Henry Gilman
Raabe, Frederick Otto
Rennie, William
Rice, Thomas Clarke
Ridley, Arthur Ernest Brooke
Rieser, Edwin Oliver
Robinson, Thomas Braceland
Roeder, William Frederick
Ryan, Michael
Samter, Marks
Savage, Michael Joseph

Schetzel, Adolph Georg
Schmidt, Henry
Schmidt, Valentine
Schnee, Gustave
Schomer, George
Schreiber, Martin August W.
Schwab, Henry Frederick
Scott, Clarence Sydney
Scott, Henry Wilson
Seibel, Philipp
Sewell, Daniel Robert
Silverstein, Jacob
Smith, Harry Lewis
Smith, Lewis Warren
Smith, William Jacob
Sorensen, James A.
Soule, Arthur Calvin
Soule, William Lloyd Garrison
Spaulding, James Garfield
Speier, Bernard
Spence, James Underhill
Stallman, Charles Christian
Starbird, Albion Wilson
Stephenson, Edward
Stoddart, Augustus Wynne
Sumner, Frank William
Sussman, Samuel
Suydam, Charles Henry
Swanberg, Charles Olof
Sykes, Charles Erastus
Taylor, George McClellan
Taylor, John Brinkworth
Thierbach, Charles Frederick
Thomas, Harry Walter
Thompson, George
Thompson, George Howard
Tonningsen, John
Trebell, Thomas
Troutt, James Morris
Tucker, Edwin Warren
Turpin, Andrew Walker
Twomey, James
Van Bergen, Henry
Vanderhurst, William
Vaughan, Hiram G.
Veen, Frank Joseph
Von Staden, George
Von Wefelsburg, Alexander B.
Walker, Robert Andrew
Walter, Henry Franklin
Wapple, Albert Michael
Warwick, James Blain
Weidman, George Elias
Welch, Willard Choate, Jr.
Wendell, Clarence Theodore
Westphal, Otto Francis
Wetherbee, Charles
Wethered, William Lowry
Wheaton, Milton Alverd
Whitcomb, Frank Randolph
White, Robert Horace
Whitely, Henry Mallard
Whitman, Victor
Williams, George Henry
Williams, Henry Alston
Willman, Alexander
Wilson, Charles Harold
Wilson, William Archibald
Wisnom, John
Wolf, Simon
Woodbury, Warren Dean
Woodside, Alexander
Young, James
Young, Shirley Trevor—352.

RESTORED.

Robert Wallace Burtis
Edward Gilberts
John Anthony Lewandowsky
Jacob Meyers
James Underhill Spence—5.

WITHDRAWN.

Robert Wallace Burtis
Ross Lewis Durbrow—2

DIED.

Charles Follen Bassett
James Henderson Bruce
Nathan Brockett Graves
Albert de Montfredy Johnson
Edward Arthur O'Connor
Morris Siminoff
Louis Michael Thierbach—7

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	339	Withdrawn	2
Greeted	17	Died	7
Restored	5—361	Now borne upon the roll	352—361

MARYSVILLE COUNCIL, NO. 3.

MARYSVILLE, YUBA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Joseph Durfee, *T. I. M.*
Peter Engel, *D. I. M.*
Charles E. Stone, *P. C. W.*
Solomon Lewek, *Treasurer.*
James Fred Eastman, *Recorder.*
Albert Julius Menz, *C. of Guard.*
John George MacLellan, *Conductor.*
Isaac Gabelle Cohn, *Steward.*
Edgar Taber, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles E. Stone
Atkins Clark Bingham
Meyer A. Marcuse
Lemuel Trescott Crane
Frank B. Miller
Alexander Cameron Irwin
Joseph Durfee

SELECT MASTERS.

Belcher, Richard
Berry, James McConnell
Blood, Richard Pearson
Boyd, John Duncan
Brockman, John Henry
Buttelman, Frederick William
Ellis, William Turner
Ewell, Samuel
Fisher, Amos
Gribner, George Thomas
Griffith, Irwin
Hauss, Ferdinand
Hochstadter, Simon
Hopkins, Allen Bruscup
Hutchins, Gavin Walker
Mould, William
Peacock, William Flint
Peck, William Francis
Price, Charles John
Sanborn, Miles Edward
Schuler, Conrad
Sieber, Henry Frederick
Skinner, Randolph Whitney
Slingsby, William
Stafford, William Henry—39

DIED.

Leonard Barnard Ayer
Barnard Ross Boorman
Frederick Low Krause
Charles Milton Patterson—4

RECAPITULATION.

Cn roll per last report .. 43
Died 4
Now borne upon the roll 39— 43

SONORA COUNCIL, NO. 5.

SONORA, TUOLUMNE COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS.

James Henriksen, *T. I. M.*
Thomas Henry Slator, *D. I. M.*
Elisha Tolman Gould, *P. C. W.*
William White Eastman, *Treasurer.*
William Edwin Burden, *Recorder.*
Charles Henry Burden, *C. of Guard.*
Frank Albert Morgan, *Conductor.*
Harris James Coffill, *Steward.*
Abraham Barlow, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Frank Wilson Street
Crittenden Hampton
William Lyman Hood
James Henriksen

SELECT MASTERS.

Adair, Charles Francis
Allgewahr, George
Allgewahr, Louis
Arendt, Michael
Baker, Harry Walcott
Ball, Cary
Barton, Eugene Hamilton
Batten, John Henry
Beedle, Frederick Charles
Belli, Caesar Arthur
Belloni, Mark John Baptist
Blood, Harry Spaulding
Carmichael, Neil
Clough, Frederick Warren
Cooley, John
Cramer, Herman, Jr.
Dewitt, Wilmar
Driver, David Bakie
Eslisk, Charles
Engstrom, Charles Otto

Evans, Job Montgomery
Flanders, Harry S.
Fletcher, Albert Carolan
Fontana, Charles Domenick
Fraser, Gregor Grant
Fulcher, Raymond Edgar
Garland, Warren Nathaniel
Graebe, Alfred Eugene
Godfrey, Charles Homans
Hender, Thomas Arthur Stiles
Howell, Harry John
Johns, Henry
Johns, Samuel Joseph
Johnson, Peter
Kennedy, Charles Thomas
Koch, William Alexander
Lagomarsino, James
Langford, James Terry
Littlefield, John Franklin
Loring, William Joseph
Madson, Arthur Gustav
Manuel, Mathew Henry
McLaren, Duncan Allen
Miller, John Jacob
Miller, Valentine William
Morgan, George Phillip
Morgans, Morgan Phillip
Nickerson, Ralph Byron
Nichols, Elmer Lincoln
Nicol, George Woodburn
Nuner, Charles Glover
Nuner, William Marble, Jr.
O'Connell, Charles Augustus
O'Connell, John Henry
Oliver, Dew Roger
O'Brien, James Timothy
Paulsen, Hans Christian
Poe, Adam W.
Potts, Warren Charles
Preston, Howard Alvin
Rainville, Alfred Hercules
Ratz, Frederick Henry
Roberts, David E.
Rose, Warren
Ross, Arthur Gilbert
Sharwood, William
Scott, William Richard
Shine, John Henry
Smullen, Joseph Milton
Stratton, Daniel Edgar
Stuckey, Simon Filmore
Suess, Ignatz
Thompson, James Thomas
Thow, George
Tulloch, Charles Thomas
Vial, John
Wells, Frank Clinton
Wells, Thomas Washington
Wiemer, William
Witney, John Lorin
Wonderley, John Martin—93

RESTORED.

Charles Domenick Fontana—1

DIED.

Eduard Keil—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report ..	89		
Greeted	4	Died	1
Restored	1— 94	Now borne upon the roll .	93— 94

SHASTA COUNCIL, NO. 6.

REDDING, SHASTA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Albert Frederick Ross, *T. I. M.*
Edward Sweeney, *D. I. M.*
John William Garden, *P. C. W.*
Charles Jacobson, *Treasurer.*
Adolph Bystle, *Recorder.*
Aldis I. Ashcraft, *C. of Guard.*
John Elkanah Hoyle, *Conductor.*
William Gillispie, *Steward.*
Francis Xavier Labonte, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Albert Frederick Ross

SELECT MASTERS.

Beard, John Samuel
Boswell, William Alexander
Brown, Ancil Lycurgus
Cahoone, William Brower
Fish, Wiliam Andrew
Garabrant, Frank H.
Hansen, James Dudley
Hawkins, Divine Zachariah
Hunt, William Broderick
Hoyle, Reuben
Hurst, Ferdinand
Lambson, Giles Hammond
Lowden, William Spencer
McCoy, Leo Lewis
McCrum, Benjamin
Murphy, Sylvanus Everet
Overmeyer, Charles Edwin
Primm, Franklin Pierce
Reynolds, John Edward
Richardson, James Lee
Rosland, Oscar O
Rowles, James
Satterlee, Franklin Peck
Stephenson, John Nicholas
Strode, John Sale
Strode, George Crone
Teass, James Chester
Weil, Joseph—37.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Jewett Scranton—1

DIED.

William Andrews
Elias Delevan Gardner—2

RECAPITULATION.

		Suspended N. P. D.....	1
		Died	2
On roll per last report	40	Now borne upon the roll	37— 40

HELENA COUNCIL, NO. 9.

HELENA, MONTANA.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Joseph J. Hindson, *T. I. M.*
James F. McNamee, *D. I. M.*
Francis Doremus Jones, *P. C. W.*
Michael Reinig, *Treasurer.*
George Booker, *Recorder.*
David W. Middlemas, *C. of Guard*
Cornelius Hedges, Jr., *Conductor.*
Starratt J. Burgess, *Steward.*
Henry Cowden, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Joseph J. Hindson
Henry M. Parchen

SELECT MASTERS.

Arvidson, Axel
Bennett, William G.
Boll, William Henry
Bray, Charles Henry
Cater, Charles S.
Christie, James William
Cook, Andrew B.
Cummings, Patrick W.
Damon, Herbert William
Day, Edward Cason
Easterly, Allen M.
Featherman, James Benjamin
Featherman, John A.
Garrett, Clarence B.
Glass, John Noble
Gunderson, Hans
Heninger, Matthew M.
Henningsen, Waldemare F.
Henry, Daniel B.
Hepner, H. Solomon
Holter, Anton M.
Holter, Martin M.
Jones, Louis L.
Kleinschmidt, Theodore H.
Lockey, Richard, Sr.
Lombard, Halsey W.
Mills, William Ernest
Nolan, Cornelius B.
Palmer, Aleck L.
Parchen, Albert D'acheul
Pickett, Henry Giles
Robinson, Jeremiah
Schwab, Samuel
Sederburg, Albert W.
Sommers, Henry
Stewart, William Wallace
Strong, Harry
Switzer, Jacob
Tatem, Benjamin Hutchison
Wagstaff, Fred Irwin
Walker, John Longacre
Weigel, Louis
Wood, George R.—53.

DIED.

Cornelius Hedges, Sr.—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report ..	46	Died	1
Greeted	8— 54	Now borne upon the roll	53— 54

STOCKTON COUNCIL, NO. 10.

STOCKTON, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Charles Willis Norton, *T. I. M.*
George Alexander McKenzie, *D. I. M.*
Durrett Oliver Castle, *P. C. W.*
Edward Richard Hedges, *Treasurer.*
Arthur Morgan Noble, *Recorder.*
Henry Ephraim Robbins, *C. of Guard.*
Charles Campbell Adams, *Conductor.*
Flavil Gaylord Hickox, *Steward.*
Edgar Warren Butters, *Organist.*
Charles Edward Howe, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Abraham Davies, *P. G. M.*
Edward Richard Hedges, *P. G.M.*
Alexander Chalmers.
Charles Willis Norton, *P. G. M.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Bennett, Paul Witherby
Bessac, Henry William
Blodgett, John Millard
Bottomby, Charles Monroe
Browne, Philip Thomas
Briggs, Herbert Hamilton
Briscoe, Henry Ferguson
Bradford, George Hosack
Brown, George Albert, Jr.
Burgess, Wilford Harmon
Burgess, Isaiah Paul
Barnett, Henry Addison
Caine, John
Catts, George Elbert
Claiborne, Gilbert Burnet
Clark, Fred Pope
Cobb, Frank Dyckman
Cross, Samuel Nelson
Cowper-Thwaite, Edward
Crump, John Edward
Case, Carlton Cooledge
Dalby, Samuel Price
Fitzgerald, William Westley
Fraser, Philip Barry
Friedberger, Leo
Finnell, Michael
Farnsworth, Clovis Alonzo
Garwood, John
Gershbacher, Joshua Barre
Grooshauser, Frank
Grunsky, Eugene Moritz
Hadcock, David
Haight, Louis Montrose
Henderson, Orrin Staples
Hull, James Porterfield
Jory, John
Keyes, Henry Calcut
Kincaid, Fred Llewellyn
Kinnear, James Wilford
Krog, Peter Christian
Keniston, Charles Morrill
Langford, George William

Latta, Samuel Eikenbarry
Lorenz, William Henry
Mallett, Albert
McKinnon, Elbert Dwight
Maschek, Charles Herman
McLeod, John H.
Miller, John Henry
Muenter, August Edward
Meyer, Fred Olin
McNoble, George Francis
Meyers, Herman Carson
Peart, Luke W.
Peterson, Richard Letcher
Phipps, William Grant
Pollard, Fred Albert
Powell, Barton Jerome
Rhoads, William Henry Harrison
Robinson, Isaac Henry
Rolerson, Benjamin Franklin
Russell, Richard William
Roe, Joseph William
Schlichtman, Claus
Seeley, John Whitney
Siegel, William Frederick
Sink, Reuben Henry
Smith, William Treat
Snow, William
Stone, William Henry
Swain, Joseph Henry
Steinbeck, Wilhelm Peter
Stewart, Edward Clement
Smith, Frank Hartford
Sibley, Walter Frank
Thompson, Edward Reese
Tindell, Pleasant Hay
Tatterson, George Watson
Tatterson, Arthur Potter
Wakefield, Edward Harlan
Yardley, John—93

WITHDRAWN.

Charles Hallie Kennedy—1

DIED.

Frank Dickinson
Arnold Friedberger
Milton Pierce Henderson
James Webb Smith—4

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
On roll per last report	86	Died	4
Greeted	12— 98	Now borne upon the roll	93— 98

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL, NO. 11.

LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Dana Reid Weller, *T. I. M.*
Edward Byron Spencer, *D. I. M.*
Samuel Edgerton Burke, *P. C. W.*
Walter Clements Durgin, *Treasurer.*
Caleb Amos Yarnell, *Recorder.*
John Hill Bean, *C. of Guard.*
Peter W. Garn, *Conductor.*
Charles Edward Sebastian, *Steward.*
Adolph J. Maas, *Sentinel.*
(Zabud No. 4, Topeka, Kansas.)

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Henry Sayre Orme, *P. G. M.*
Granville Quincy Stewart
Robert Gilmore Cunningham
August Wackerbarth, *P. G. M.*
William Byron Scarborough, *P. G. M.*
David Monroe Sutherland, *P. G. M.*
John Francis Hughes
Willis Milnor Dixon
Warren Edward Rowley
William Henry Gaynor
William Edward Chamberlain
Charles Sherman Anderson

SELECT MASTERS.

Abbott, Adelbert Starr
Adams, Horace Bishop
Adcock, Robert James
Altland, Edwin Neiman
Alexander, Charles Ambrose
Amlin, John L.
Anderson, John Francis
Armstrong, George
Arnold, William Ralph
Arnoldt, Herman
Avery, Hilbert King
Aydelotte, George Howard
Aylsworth, George Webb
Bacon, George
Bagby, Edwin Hanson
Bagley, Charles Leland
Bailey, John T.
Bailey, Ralph Waldo
Baker, Charles Edwin
Baker, Fred
Balch, Allen Christopher
Baldwin, Cornelius Vanoy
Bardill, John Warner
Barnard, Albert William
Barrow, Thomas Martin
Barto, Fred Oliver
Baxter, Samuel Cashier
Beattie, Robert Fountain
Beckett, Wesley Wilbur
Beer, James Clark
Belcher, Harry Arthur
Bellringer, Edward Aubrey
Benbrook, Charles Mallard
Berg, Christian Gottlieb
Berger, Andrew S.
Bernard, Gustav Adolph George
Berner, John Bismarck
Bicknell, John Dustin
Biescar, Henry
Bille, Marsello
Billington, Theophilus
Blackstone, Henry Winthrop
Blades, Paul Harcourt
Blair, Francis Wayland
Bliesner, William John
Bohrman, Henry William
Boswell, Frank Moore
Botsford, Frank Leroy
Bourne, John Franklin
Bowen, Calvin Case
Bowen, John Wesley
Bradbeer, James H.
Bradford, Charles Raymond
Bradish, Avery Jackson
Branch, John Franklin
Brauer, Adolph Carl
Braun, Henry
Bresee, Melvin Arthur
Bresee, Phineas Wright
Brill, William
Brink, John Edward
Brode, Alexander Charles
Brode, Walter Charles
Brookman, Arthur
Brooks, Frank Handy
Brown, Charles Milton
Brown, John Alexander
Brown, Walter Eldridge

Browning, Charles Clifton
Bryson, Frank
Bryson, George Washington
Buffum, Frank
Bulla, Robert Nelson
Burgwold, Hugo Mathias
Burkhardt, Adolph
Burns, Orin L.
Burns, Robert Wallace
Burr, Charles Martin
Burr, John
Bynon, Frederick Silas
Cahill, James William
Campbell, Daniel
Campbell, John Mis
Campbell, Alfred Quincy
Cannon, John Stevens
Carlson, Carl Otto
Carr, Joseph Elmer
Carver, Clarence C.
Caswell, William Mitchell
Catey, Stacey Francis
Cave, Daniel
Chase, Lucius Kurtz
Clark, Herbert Hamilton
Clarke, Frank Brainerd
Cline, William
Coate, Henry R.
Cobb, Edward Sigourney
Coe, Edmund Wallace
Cohn, Albert
Cohn, Elias
Collins, Burton Vincent
Connett, Harry
Conradi, Simon
Cook, George Washington
Cooksey, Job Emit
Coombes, Willard E.
Coon, Willard Alden
Conrey, Nathaniel Parrish
Copp, Andrew James, Jr.
Cornes, Frank J.
Cowan, Richard Bates
Cox, Robert Lee
Crandall, John Abner
Crawford, James Seth
Cribb, John Caborn
Cunningham, Frank R.
Cunningham, John Calvin
Daniels, Albert Julius
Davis, Harvey
Dawson, John Bennett
Day, John Pinkney
De la Monte, Jacques Henry
Dewey, James Henry
Dick, James William
Dill, Robie Everett
Dillingham, Frank Stinson
Donnell, John Alexander
Doyle, John Hunt
Drew, Arthur Linford
Driscoll, Timothy
Drought, Robert
Duffie, John Jefferson
Duffill, Harry
Dunham, James Elias
Dunsmoor, Cylos Taylor
Dunsmoor, John Marcus
Dutcher, Claude Elmer
Eager, Charles Lucius
Easley, Samuel J.
Eckstrom, Albert Axel
Ehlers, Peter William
Eichelberger, Harry Martin
Elliott, Elmer Ellsworth
Eldridge, Septimus Tustin
Ellis, Henry Bertrand
Ennis, Charles Wesley
Everhardy, Mathew William
Fairchild, John Anthony
Faust, Willis, Jr.
Ferbert, John C.
Ferris, Horace Bayles
Field, Benjamin Franklin
Fiscus, Joseph
Fish, Charles Winthrop
Fisher, Donnell George
Fitch, George Atkins
Flint, Frank Putnam
Flint, Motley Hewes

Folsom, Niles Rathbone
Fowler, Joseph
Fordham, Milton Cephas
Foshay, James A.
Fraisher, Robert Love
Francis, Ira Johnson
Fraser, Leonidas Polk
Garthside, Joseph Relton
Gehrkens, William Henry
Gibbs, Charles Alfred
Gibson, Leo La Forest
Gill, William Henry
Gillis, Robert Cowan
Glass, Clement Studebaker
Glass, Henry
Goehring, John George
Gordon, Frank Henry
Gotthelf, David
Granicher, Oswald
Gregg, William Seaton
Greppin, Ernest Henry
Grubb, Oscar Edwin
Guthrie, Finis William
Hale, Frank Seraph
Hamburger, Moses Asher
Hamilton, Harley Erastus
Hammond, Rollin C.
Hammond, William T. Sherman
Hanselman, John Wesley
Harper, Arthur Cyprian
Harrington, Frederick
Harris, Jonathan Bentley
Harris, Murray McCheyenne
Harrison, Lisle Ryerson
Harrison, William Henry
Hart, Alexander Hamilton
Hart, Dwight Howard
Hart, Frank John
Hart, George Alandson
Haskell, John Condit
Hauser, Edward Charles
Hauser, Lewis August
Haydock, Clarence
Heartt, Burton Elmer
Heartt, Charles Lawrence
Heffner, Robert Armstrong
Henderson, Andrew
Henderson, John Blanchard
Henderson, William Alexander
Henry, James Wheaton
Henshey, Benjamin Botsford
Herr, George Frederick
Herron, Fred Irvine
Herron, Rufus Hills
Hervey, William Rhodes
Hiatt, William Macy
Hines, Fred Amos
Hoagland, Robert Stout
Holcombe, Arthur Lovell
Hollingsworth, William Irving
Hollis, George Henry
Homeyer, Albert Von
Houselibe, William John
Howard, Perry Alonzo
Hubbard, William Lewis
Humphreys, William Morgan
Hussey, William Clark
Iftiger, Hugo Julius
Irving, Carl
Irving, James
Jackson, Charles Franklin
Jackson, James Henry
Jacobi, Lewis
Jarrett, Benjamin Samuel
Jeffries, John Henry
Jeffries, William Parish
Jeffries, William Thomas
Jenkins, John Joseph
Jensen, Henry Christian
Jepson, Jacob
Johnson, William M.
Jones, John Taylor
Jones, Lester M.
Jones, Mark G.
Keiler, Will Edward
Kennedy, Lewis Henry
Keith, George Frank
Kerr, Thomas William
Kingsbury, Homer Pinfield D.
Kingsbury, William Stephen

Kingsley, John Amos
Kinney, Arthur Wilson
Kirkland, Derwentwater
Kitchen, John Franklin
Knickerbocker, Miles
Koerting, Oscar Paul
Koll, August Juergen
Koyer, Arthur Sheppard
Krempel, John Paul
Krohn, Henry George
Kyte, George Irvin
Lamb, Stacy Caldwell
Lauterman, Frank Dexter
Lang, Fred Selwyn
Latsch, Theo Martin
Lawder, Benjamin Stewart
Ledgerwood, William Hendricks
Leiber, Louis Otto
Leix, Frederick
Letts, Arthur
Levy, Michael
Lewis, Edward William
Lewis, James Clinton
Lindsay, Joseph Brown
Lloyd, Charles
Logan, George Burkett
Long, James William
Louis, Emmanuel J.
Lovell, Lawrence Archer
Lovett, William Watson
Lukenbach, John
Macfarlane, Walter
Mackey, George Grant
Magee, Robert
Maier, Simon
Malone, Augustine Charles
Marden, Leo Wallace
Mart, Charles
Martin, Julius Herbert
Martindale, Walter W.
Masters, John Henry
Masters, Robert Emmett
Matheson, John Luther
Mayo, Harmon Jeff
McAllister, Frank Allister
McAllister, James Pinkerton
McCarty, Walter George
McClurkin, William John
McConnell, Henry Elmer
McCollough, Alex Millard F.
McComas, Charles
McCoy, David Allen
McCray, Morris Lynn
McGarvin, Donne Clio
McLeod, John A.
Mead, Charles Abiel
Mead, Willis Howard
Mears, Charles Franklin
Medwina, John Blancarte
Melczer, Joseph
Mellus, Louis Randolph
Mercer, Preston Reese
Merrill, John Benjamin
Merrill, Joseph Lane
Merritt, Elmer Philip
Merwin, Andrew Homer
Meserve, Edwin Alvin
Meserve, Frank Pierce
Messacar, Frank William
Miller, Edmund Axel
Miller, Edward Hall
Miller, Robert Warren
Miller, William John
Mitchell, Charles Edward
Monlux, John B.
Moore, Elmer Ellsworth
Moore, Thomas Edward
Morgan, Oscar Crellin
Morgan, William Brazelton
Morrill, Mattson Annis
Morrison, Wm. Edward Domville
Morton, John Jay
Mott, Albert Clark
Moyse, George Ulysses
Mueller, Earl Walter
Mueller, Oscar Charles
Murphy, Claire Warren
Murphy, Joseph Lannes
Murray, Alexander Wilson
Murray, John Emmett

Mussey, Nathaniel Dickson
Myrick, Nathaniel Willis
Nagel, George Edward
Neuhart, Daniel
Nevins, Leon Wesley
Nightingale, John Henry
Noble, Wm. Clarence Hayes
Odenthal, Hubert
Off, John William Arnold
Owen, Frank Dale
Owens, Madison Townsend
Pallette, Edward M.
Parker Francis Marion
Patterson, Charles Edgar
Patillo, James Nelson
Paul, John Rink
Pease, Edward William
Pease, Niles
Pease, Sherman
Peck, Daniel Gauger
Peel, Theodore Leo
Peipers, Paul Clarence
Peloubet, William Spalding
Pendell, Charles Elisha
Percy, Harry Lord
Perry, John Sargent
Pettebone, Henry Wells
Pfaffinger, Frank Xavier
Pierce, Clarence Warner
Pierce, Darwin Wilson
Pierce, Fred Eugene
Pillsbury, George Eber
Plath, Emil Ludwig
Poundstone, Jacob
Powers, Edward Everett
Preston, Jasper Newton
Pridham, Richard Woodworth
Pullman, Carl
Rankin, William John
Raze, Arthur Eldridge
Rebman, John
Rees, Bert
Reid, James Arthur
Renaker, Charles Taylor
Renfro, Alva D.
Rhodes, Allin Lee
Rice, Robert Lincoln
Rideout, William Andrew
Riggle, Elmer Willis
Rising, Franklin Edward
Robertson, Andrew
Rockwell, Lorenzo Anson
Rodenhouse, Harry Edward
Rodgers, James Frederick
Roeder, Henry
Rogers, Albert Clark
Rogers, Read Wyman
Rohrer, John Bonewitz
Ross, Frederick William
Routzahn, Willis Harsey
Rule, Ferd Kennett
Ruskamp, Charles D.
Salisbury, Samuel Scott
Scarborough, James Gustave
Scheerer, Conrad
Schmidt, Ferd Wilhelm Theo.
Schneider, George Henry
Schoder, Howard Joseph
Schrieber, William George
Schwaebe, Lewis Henry
Schwartz, Henry Butler
Selph, Edgar Eugene
Servoss, Walter Everett
Sexton, Charles Wesley
Shannon, William Alexander
Sharpe, Frederick H.
Shelton, Harry Ashton
Sherer, Robert
Sherman, Moses Hazeltine
Shoemaker, Fred Wilcox
Shrader, William Wallace, Jr.
Simms, John H.
Simms, Vinton Delos
Sinsabaugh, Simpson McCullough
Skinner, Alden Webster
Slater, Joseph Karl
Slotterbeck, Harry Walter
Small, Richard Ellsworth
Smart, George Joseph
Smith, Benjamin Nathaniel

Smith, Benjamin Nathaniel, Jr.
Smith, Everett Russell
Smith, Horace Osbun
Smith, Joseph Augustus
Smith, Melvin David
Smith, William Albert
Snow, Harry L.
Snowden, Joshua Hazelrigg
Snyder, Meredith Pinxton
Spaulding, Frank Leverett
Specht, Joseph Christian
Spence, Edward Follis
Spence, William Glenn
Spencer, Isom Lindsay
Spinks, Wallace Humphrey
Stagg, Edward Houts
Stansbury, Charles
Starr, Joseph Lee
Stephens, William Dennison
Stevens, John Benjamin
Stewart, Albert Iulus
Stewart, George Hadley
St. John, Philip Brisock
Stoll, George Henry
Storrow, Samuel
Strassburg, Edward
Streicher, Michael
Strohm, Thomas
Sumption, Frederick Albert
Sweet, Otto
Tanner, Wilson Gustin
Taylor, Henry Holland
Taylor, John Hartley
Taylor, Ora
Teagle, Leander Allen
Tenbrook, George Henry
Thayer, Joseph Harriot
Thompson, Charles Wesley, Jr.
Thompson, Chester Weaver
Thompson, John S. Vance De C.
Thompson, Robert Mossman
Thompson, William Edward
Tichenor, George Nultman
Thorpe, Joseph Raymond
Tower, Harry Dooley
Train, Robert Farquhar
Tutt, William Winters
Trobec, John August
Tuttle, Victor Hugo
Urmston, John Kreck
Valiant, George Francis
Valentine, Edward Sharp
Valentine, William Lucas
Van Doren, John Suydam
Van Nuys, Isaac Newton
Vawter, Edwin James
Vetter, Louis Fisher
Vogel, Herman Oscar
Volbrecht, William Julius
Volkman, Martin Frederick
Wade, Robert David
Walker, Daniel Henry
Walker, Samuel Millard
Wankowski, Robert
Ward, Perl Adelbert
Ward, William Henry
Wardell, Ralph Hewitt
Watson, Ralph Matt
Weber, John
Webster, James William
Weichman, Henry Philip
Weidner, Peter
Welch, William Ormond
Werdin, Ernest Rudolph
Westcott, Otis Horton
West, George Miller
West, Henry Hebard
Wetterauer, Andrew Peter
Wheeler, Emanuel Randolph
Wheeler, Horace Marcellus
While, William
White, William Addison
Whiting, Perry
Whitman, William Colfax
Whitney, Grant Ulysses
Williams, Herbert George
Williams, William Henry
Willis, Frank Rominar
Wohlfarth, August
Wood, Charles Modini

[illegible] Edward	Young, John William
[illegible] Carl [illegible]	Youngworth, Leo Valtus
[illegible] Charles	[illegible] Lewis G—544

WITHDRAWN

[illegible] Stanbock—1

DEED

[illegible]	Patrick Henry Mack
Patrick C[illegible]	Albert Henry McGaffin
Charles [illegible]	John Newton Smalley
Emory Taylor [illegible]	[illegible]
William [illegible]	[illegible] E. Ward—10

RECAPITULATION

		Withdrawn	1
On roll per last report	513	Dead	10
Greeted	42—555	Now borne upon the roll	544—555

OAKLAND COUNCIL, NO. 12.

OAKLAND, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, fifth Thursday of months having five Thursdays.

OFFICERS

Charles Frank Thomas, *T. I. M.*
John Andrew Sansom, *D. I. M.*
Edward Harrison Morgan, *P. C. W.*
James Bestor Merritt, *Treasurer.*
George Henry Smith, *Recorder.*
Edward C. Prindle, *C. of Guard.*
Charles Herbert Cowell, *Conductor.*
Albert Lauritz Hansen, *Steward.*
John William Gwilt, *Organist.*
Robert Griffith Evans, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James Bestor Merritt, *P. G. M.*
W. Frank Pierce, *P. G. M.*
Edward Harrison Morgan
Webb Nicholson Pearce
Edwin Allen Sherman
Eugene Carmeny
Edward Constant Robinson
Robert Edgar
Amasa Wright Bishop
Augustus Lewis Ott
Damien Edmont Fortin
Albert Humphrey Merritt, *P. G. M.*
John Alexander Britton
George Henry Smith
Charles Herbert Wever
William James Chesney
Frank Reeve Woolsey
Fred Duane Voorhees
Charles Frank Thomas

SELECT MASTERS.

Allen, Charles Hamilton
Allyn, George Spencer
Anguin, William Stanley
Austin, George William
Austin, Harry
Avery, Mark Herbert
Bacon, Gilman William
Badger, Thomas Norman
Baker, Alvin W.
Barry, William
Barton, Charles Thomas
Beckwith, John A.
Bell, Harmon
Benton, Julian Juriah
Beretta, Italo A.
Bergsten, Oscar Paulus
Bice, John
Bilger, Frank William
Blohm, Charles Henry
Borton, Chester Cooper
Breed, Arthur Hastings
Brown, Lewis Henry
Browne, Henry Rosekrans
Bull, Barizillai P.
Bullock, Richard Steele
Burleigh, Elmer Seaver
Burrell, Alfred William
Burt, Frederic Leslie
Buteau, Samuel Hall
Button, Fred Lawrence
Cahill, Patrick
Carman, Frank Vanoy
Cary, Albert B.
Christiansen, Jens Lauritsen
Chubb, Charles
Clark, William Amir
Clawiter, Edward Henry
Cohen, Abraham S.
Cole, James Cairns
Cook, Frank Biglow
Cope, Harry Besby
Corder, Arthur Elmer
Corwin, Lewis Thornton
Cozzens, Arthur Eugene
Crandley, William John
Crelin, Thomas Arthur
Crooks, John Chisholm
Crossman, William Thomas
Cushing, Frank Worthy
Dailey, William Curtis
Dakin, Frederick Holroyd
Dallam, Fred Boothby
Dellerup, John
Dalton, Henry Phillip
Denuser, Peter
Davis, Judson Milton
Davis, Lucian Dwight
Degen, Ludolph Philip
DeGolia, George Ellis
De La Montanya, Harry Orton
Dibert, Wayne Clay
Doane, Raymond Orrin
Dondero, Aurelio George
Douglass, Charles Henry
Dubbs, Willis Snowden
Earl, Guy Chaffe
Edward, Ambrose Frederick
Emerson, Harry Wylie
Emigh, Thomas Powell
Evans, Charles
Ferrier, Francis
Finley, Dozier
Fisher, George Cresse
Flood, Alfred James
Foster, Newell Kelley
Foster, John Charles
Francis, William Clair
French, Robert Ellsworth
Fulton, William
Geirrine, Charles Augustus
Gibson, Charles Luke
Gilbert, Ethan Allen
Glines, Herbert Atherton
Gompertz, Walter Alexander
Gotthelf, Aaron Solomon
Goodwin, George H.

Graham, Robert Grant
Granger, Farley Benjamin
Grau, Edward Arnold
Gray, George
Gray, Roscoe Spaulding
Gregory, Calvin Levy
Gunn, Adam Francis
Hahn, Henry Casper
Hansen, Hans Peter
Hansen, Peter Christian
Harrigan, John William
Harper, Fred Fogg Gale
Harvard, Richard Daniel
Hayes, Daniel Edward
Heeseman, Charles John
Hellwig, George Peter
Hewes, Charles Leslie
Hewitt, Loren Gifford
Hill, Mangus Peter
Hill, Otis
Holmgren, John Alexander
Hopper, John Frederick
Horner, Charles F.
Howland, Eli
Hughes, Edward Floyd
Hume, William Robert
Hunt, Charles Melville
Jackson, Alton Cass
Jackson, Arthur Vincent
James, Edward Harrison
Jarvis, Charles Fitz Howard
Jenkins, William Norman
Johnson, Christian Ole
Jones, Algernon Sydney
Kales, Martin William
Keiser, Chris
Kelley, Alexander S.
Kelsey, John Edson
Kempkey, Augustus F. K.
Kendall, Alpheus
Knowland, Joseph
Knowland, Joseph Alexander
Kolze, Robert A. F.
Largersen, Walter H.
Lockett, Albert
Long, Charles Stuart
Longnecker, Harry Ellsworth
Logan, Walter Edward
Lord, Carlos Reuben
Love, Thomas
Loring, Ernest Linwood
Love, Charles Allen
Lutgen, George Vest
MacGregor, Charles M.
MacIntosh, James Thomas
MacLafferty, Charles P.
MacMurtry, William Samuel
Magill, Arthur Edward
Makins, Joseph Henry
Manuel, Walter Griswold
Mariotte, Paul Alonzo
Marlin, Henry B.
Martin, Daniel Wilkins
Martin, John
Mathiesen, Hans
Mauzy, Byron
May, Henry
McClymonds, John William
McLaughlin, Charles Weldy
McNulty, Harry James
Merrill, Charles Sydney
Meek, Harry West
Meek, Dodolph Wallace
Meek, William Ellsworth
Meese, Constant
Meredith, James Washington
Metcalf, George Dickson
Metcalf, Solon Theres
Michaels, Henry
Mitchell, Claud Hamilton
Miller, Charles Howard
Miller, Thomas Irving
Minor, Robert
Morris, Moses
Mosher, John William
Moseley, John Edward
Mott, Frank Kanning
Moulthrop, Carlton Francis
Moulthrop, Wiley Howard
Murphy, James Joseph

Nash, Chester Bell
Niehaus, Edward Ernest
Nordman, Artilus Fordnand
Nordman, Peter
Nutting, Charles Wilber
Nystrom, John Richard
O'Donnell, Francis Henry E.
Ohea, George Harvey
Oliver, Henry Andrew
O'Neill, Peter J.
Ott, Charles Frederick
Owen, William Henry Searls
Parsons, Albert S.
Patterson, Albert Louis C.
Payne, George Henry
Phillips, John Waterman
Phillips, Henry Byron
Pierce, Charles Dexter
Piercy, Arthur Thomas
Platt, Samuel J.
Price, Wallace Covert
Prowse, Charles
Ragland, William Beverly
Ramage, Andrew
Randall, Charles Wells
Redington, Charles Henry
Reist, Jay Harvey
Revalk, Richard Emil
Richardson, Friend William
Robinson, James Leman
Robertson, Daniel
Rodolph, Frank Bequette
Roeth, George
Rowles, William John
Russell, Thomas Bartlett
Rose, Burton James
Sandelin, Charles Frederick
Sargent, Edward Lyman
Saunders, Nelson
Sellar, John
Schleuter, Otis William
Schleuter, Herman F.
Schrock, William H.
Schwarz, Henry
Scott, George Amos
Scott, John Walker
Slater, Urotes Major
Smith, Kirby Bounty
Spreckles, Richard
Staats, Remond Cyril
Standeford, William Burt
Starbuck, Henry Fletcher
Stephenson, William Albert
Stone, Louis Stanwood
Stromgren, Gustave Adolph
Strong, Milton Grosvener
Tayler, James Howard
Taylor, Guy
Thomas, George Henry
Thomas, Charles Goodwin
Thomas, Charles Edward
Thompson, Robert Crawford
Threlkeld, Melville Calvert
Treadwell, James Tufts
Tofflemier, Douglas Ulysses
Tuttle, Hiram Sinclair
Vane, James Playford
Walker, Percy John
Walker, Albert Jay
Walsh, Edward Marion
Wanger, Gustave Adolph
Waste, William Harrison
Webster, Leander Rankin
Weigt, William Albert
Weilbye, Julius Lars
Weilbye, William Hansen
Werner, Edward Peter
Westlake, Leonard John
Weston, William Pomroy
Wharff, William Hatch
Wilder, James Chase
Wilkes, Farrington
Wilkes, William E.
Williams, John
Winchell, Colvin S.
Wood, Herbert Anthony
Woodin, Eugene
Woolsey, Philip Sheridan

Wright, Cyrus Smith
Wyllie, Robert P.
Yablonsky, John
Young, Roy Jackson—293

EXCLUDED.

Alexander James Smilie
Henry Bernard Schindler—2

DIED.

Simon Fischel
Alpha Hayden Glasscock
Benjamin Cowell Hawes
Brayton Everington Handy
William Meese Heusted
Harvey Hubbard Johnson
Frank Granville Watson—7

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	285	Excluded	2
Greeted	14	Died	7
Affiliated	3—302	Now borne upon the roll	293—302

GATEWAY COUNCIL, NO. 13.

AUBURN, PLACER COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Preston Washington Smith, *T. M.*
Michael David Lininger, *D. I. M.*
William Grant Lee, *P. C. W.*
Joseph Marie Francis, *Treasurer.*
John Gould Bisbee, *Recorder.*
Alexander Kelley Robinson, *C. of Guard.*
Jonathan Fulton, *Conductor.*
Ernest Stratton Birdsall, *Steward.*
Harry Julius Bower, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Jacob Hart Neff, *P. G. M.*
John Gould Bisbee, *P. G. M.*
John Mathias Fulweiler
Preston Washington Smith

SELECT MASTERS.

Akers, Charles Duval
Allen, George Eugene
Anderson, Albert Wallace
Anderson, William Craig
Bell, Joseph Vincent
Boller, George Carl
Brown, Edward Doyle
Buchanan, Francis Jacques

Chamberlain, Newell Day
Chappellet, Felix, Jr.
Clement, Styles Kennedy
Coombs, William
Cowan, Gordon Robinson
Crowell, William Albert
Curtis, Henry Chittenden
Davis, Frederick Calvin
Delano, Ira Lemuel
Disque, Henry
Duggan, Charles Martin
Gladding, Albert James
Green, Arthur Reginald
Haenny, John
Harris, George J.
Hohfeld, Edward
Jansen, Hans Pulsen
Jansen, Walter
Kendall, Edward John
Kilburn, Harry Alden
Lardner, William Bransen
Lubeck, David Wlademer
Mardis, Benjamin Allen
Martin, Charles
May, William Isaac
McAninch, John
McAuley, George
McCracken, William James
Michael, Martin
Millard, George Ellis
Missner, Frank
Moore, John Thomas
Nicholls, William, Jr.
Pemberton, George Francis
Power, Harold Thomas
Roberts, Robert William
Rooney, Robert Fleming
Safford, John Coleman
Salzman, George Ernest
Shane, Charles Nelson
Smith, Alfred Lovell
Sparks, William Martin
Stevens, Amos
Stevens, Frederick Solon
Stevenson, Thomas
Treadwell, James Buchanan
Wallace, John
Woodard, John Carlton—67

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report .. 67
Now borne upon the roll 67

SANTA ANA COUNCIL, NO. 14.

SANTA ANA, ORANGE COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Leonard Frank Harvey, *T. I. M.*
George Pliney Hill, *D. I. M.*
Emanuel Henry Luxton, *P. C. W.*
Ezekiel Bernard Smith, *Treasurer.*
George Akerman Whidden, *Recorder.*
Max Reinhaus, *C. of Guard.*
John Holt, *Conductor.*
Eli Brock Trago, *Steward.*
George Eddie Robinson, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James William Towner
James Hedges Hall
Edwin Dumont Buss
Addison Crockett Bowers
Leonard Frank Harvey

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, John Nelson
Balcolm, Bayles Greenwood
Ball, Charles Dexter
Beals, August
Bradford, Albert Sumner
Bruner, Francis Marion
Bundy, Milton John
Burke, Orion Harry
Clark, George Crook
Cushman, Ruggles Allerton
Decker, Willet S.
Deyoe, Frederick Theodore
Diers, Henry
Donovan, Napoleon
Dryer, John Lewis
Faust, George Andrew Willis
Frampton, George Reed
Ferguson, Joseph
Gamble, Austin Abram
Gilmaker, Joseph
Greeley, John Philip
Gregg, Walter Scott
Griffiths, George Whitfield, Jr.
Hannah, Charles William
Harding, Foster William
Hately, William
Haywood, John Saxton
Hill, Louis Hamilton
Hill, Samuel
Honey, Edwin Alonzo
Huffman, Robert Lincoln
Hutt, James Hagar
Kellogg, Hiram Clay
Krick, Philip Herman
Laird, William Franklin
Lane, Martin Luther
Lee, Eugene Tewksbury
Leithead, William Wilson
Lipking, Frederick William
Lovett, Charles Edward
Lutz, William Frederick
Mason, William Bertle
McCarric, Franklin
McDonald, John Colvin
McNeill, Christopher
McTaggart, Neil Godfrey
Medlock, James Randolph
Miles, George Francis
Mills, Ira D.
Monaghan, Francis
Nichols, John Brown
Paine, James Robert
Parker, Charles Edward
Peters, George Edwin
Potter, William Gibbons
Preble, George Edward
Putnam, John Day
Reinhaus, Julius
Richardson, Erwin Ellsworth
Royer, Daniel Franklin
Scott, Walter Maxwell
Shaw, Linn Lee
Smith, Alan Fowler
Staley, Arthur
Sheats, Clarence Warren
Toothaker, George Dexter
Trudo, Edward
Tyerman, Thomas Benton
Upham, Harry George
Visel, Augustus Jacob
Waffle, Edson Dwight
Wallace, Elmer S.
Wasser, Joseph Sylvester
Wasser, Wilbur Wellington
Wassum, Howard Allen
Watson, Kellar Ebenezer

Whitney, Mervin Newton
Whitson, Walter Verne
Wilkinson, Lawrence Smith
Winslow, Fred W.
Woodford, Charles J.—94.

WITHDRAWN.

William Bell Wood—1

DIED.

Robert Francis Chilton
Frederick Conn
James Deane Wilder—3

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
On roll per last report	92	Died	3
Greeted	6— 98	Now borne upon the roll	94— 98

VENTURA COUNCIL, NO. 15.

VENTURA, VENTURA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

Frederick William Baker, *T. I. M*
Willis Philip Lincoln, *D. I. M.*
Richard Owen Robinson, *P. C. W.*
John Stevenson Collins, *Treasurer.*
David John Reese, *Recorder.*
George Cook, *C. of G.*
William Edward Ready, *Cond.*
Robert C. Sudden, *Steward.*
William McGuire, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Albert Perham Hardy
Frederick William Baker
Willis Philip Lincoln
Richard Owen Robinson
David Rhodes Denison

SELECT MASTERS.

Alves, John
Argabrite, Jacob Lewis
Blackstock Nehemiah
Burson, Edward Wright
Burson, George Washington
Burson, Willis
Butcher, William Preston
Cannon, Christopher Wren

Carr, Earle
Carr, Philetus Sprague
Day, James Allan
Dodge, Edward Gardiner
Dunning, Edward Elliott
Ely, Martin Juda
Engstrom, Franz Otto
Fraser, Allan Polic
Giddings, Herbert Alvaro
Gosnell, Truman Barrick
Goodyear, William Ernest
Kauffman, Parke Wilfred
Kilson, George Elmer
Knight, Clarence Crosby
Metcalf, Winfield Bradbury
Misa, Charles Henry
Neel, Henry Harrison
Ogg, Thomas Daniel
Power, George Coffin
Rice, Thomas Alexander
Rowley, Charles Harvey
Starkweather, George Albert
Taggart, James William
Taylor, Arthur Wilson
Thompson, Mark
Turner, William Henry
Walker, James Russell
Wittenmyer, John Lewis—47

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report.... 45—
Greeted ..... 2—47 Now borne upon the roll.... 47

PASADENA COUNCIL, NO. 16.

PASADENA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Meetings second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Jefferson Carvosa Fraser, *T. I. M.*
Albert Mercer, *D. I. M.*
William Bryant Edwards, *P. C. W.*
William Henry Vedder, *Treasurer.*
Louis Azel Bartlett, *Recorder.*
Edward Oscar Nay, *C. of G.*
Walter Richard Gibbings, *Cond.*
Charles Newton Stanley, *Steward.*
George Rasmus Weaver, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles Joseph Willett, *P. G. M.*
George Washington Skyrme
Oscar Otto Freeman
Benjamin Brooks Cartwright

SELECT MASTERS.

Allen, Charles Emery
Allin, Thomas David
Ball, Benjamin Franklin
Beach, Fitz E.
Behlow, Irwin W. M.
Behlow, Robert Roscoe
Bonner, Lewis Henry
Buchanan, Charles Wesley

Campbell, James Hanford
Clarke, James
Crump, Edward Sisson
Dawson, James Porter
Edwards, Albert Ernest
Edwards, Simon Josiah
Eisenauer, Michael
Ernsberger, Frank Armstrong
Frary, Leander Warren
Geohegan, Harry
Grimes, Charles
Hall, Peter
Hansen, Nels Peter
Hayes, Orrin Henry
Hughes, James Barr
Knight, William Franklin
May, Ernest Heath
Menning, Charles Edward
Meyer, Henry William
McDowell, Robert Snyder
McGregory, William Whitney
Nay, Earl Warren
Packard, Elmer Charles
Porter, LaFayette Seward
Priaulx, Percival J.
Richardson, Warren Josiah
Rossiter, John Gormley
Rhodes, Charles Hilliard
Royce, Edward Henry
Sherry, Henry
Shibley, William
Skillen, Charles Moses
Slavin, Matthew
Smiley, Sumner Francis
Smith, John Martin
Smith, William T. Sherman
Snudden, William Henry
Sutton, Charles Thomas
Thomson, Henry Martin
Williams, Roymayne
Williams, Robert Adrian—62

WITHDRAWN.

Ion Watson Parks
John Peaslee—2

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report....	54		
Greeted	9	Withdrawn	2
Affiliated	1—64	Now borne upon the roll..	62—64

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL, NO. 17.

SANTA CRUZ, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Thompson Wilson Drullard, *T. I. M.*
William Hugus Keck, *D. I. M.*
Mark Webster, *P. C. W.*
John Parker Twist, *Treasurer.*
Edward Swift West, *Recorder.*
Benjamin Anthony Plant, *C. of G.*
Silas Foulk Hoopes, *Conductor.*
William Clarence Tooze, *Steward.*
Perry Clark Tucker, *Chaplain.*
George Washington Wells, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Thompson Wilson Drullard
Silas Foulk Hoopes

SELECT MASTERS.

Aydelotte, Charles Leon
Aydelotte, William Mack
Bias, William Henry
Cox, Alison Alberti
Drennan, Ryland
Fifield, Daniel Black
Folsom, Cathers Drummond
Gebhart, Charles Albert
Hall, Henry Dresher
Hapgood, Alfred Adams
Harrington, George Henry
Heard, Edwin Clyde
Hinkle, Charles Devault
Johnson, Walter Lloyd
Lorenzen, Lawrence
Loucks, Don Anderson
Mattison, Frank
McCreary, Thomas Guy
Read, Willia mMiles
Rostron, George Henry
Severio, John
Staubes, Charles
Taylor, John Alexander
Trafton, Howard Valentine
Willey, Henry—35

WITHDRAWN.

Wilson Riley Springer—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report....	34	Withdrawn	1
Greeted	2—36	Now borne upon the roll..	35—36

FRESNO COUNCIL, NO. 18.

FRESNO, FRESNO COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Wiley James Tinnin, *T. I. M.*
.....*D. I. M.*
Berry Madison Hague, *P. C. W.*
Brenton Jarvis Metzler, *Treasurer.*
Ardie Lee Smith, *Recorder.*
George Washington Smith, *C. of Guard.*
Joseph George Martin, *Conductor.*
William Henry Puleston, *Steward.*
..... *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Wiley James Tinnin

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, Gus Walter
Anderson, John Quincy
Barrett, Charles William
Burks, William Tillman
Bernhard, Emil Frederick
Borchers, Herman Henry
Burnham, Floyd Stephen Kenny
Cearley, Charles Talant
Cosgrave, George
Clark, Albert Bazzle
Chaddock, Emory Gilbert
Everts, Olen Lee
Eley, Mills
Gray, William Alonzo
Graham, Edwin Reed
Homan, Frank Andrew
Hersey, Augustus Melville
Hendrix, Jay Ward
Hawkins, Henry Edwin
Hoffman, John L.
Hogg, Victor Forest
Kittrell, William Joseph
Lisenby, Augustus Vespasian
Ludvigsen, Peter Erich
Miles, William Oscar
Munger Albert Luke
Monroe, Goerge Hayes
Munn, Charles Anderson
Mootz, Herman Edwin
McClurg, James Allen, Sr.
Noble, Jay Preston
Pierce, Charles Sheldon
Pedreira, Antonio Freitas
Riege, Charles Henry
Ralston, Elza Clark
Rudy, Henry Vernon
Shoemaker, Walter
Swift, Harvey Whalen
Smith, Anson Burlingame
Shepherd, Benjamin Franklin
Sherman, Walter Nathan
Thomas, Montgomery
Wahlberg, Arthur Gustave
Wishon, Albert Graves
Walter, Charles Lewis—52

EXCLUDED.

Joseph Monoak Smith—1

DIED.

Charles Bunn Shaver—1

RECAPITULATION.

		Excluded	1
		Died	1
On roll per last report.....	54	Now borne upon the roll..	52—54

SANTA BARBARA COUNCIL, U. D.

SANTA BARBARA, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Albert Perham Hardy, *T. I. M.*
William Preston Butcher, *D. I. M.*
Edward Gardner Dodge, *P. C. W.*
Winfield Bradbury Metcalf, *Treasurer.*
Charles Oscar Garretson, *Recorder.*
Charles Devens Fairbanks, *C. of Guard.*
Clarence Crosby Knight, *Conductor.*
Charles Edward Todd, *Steward.*
Charles Ellsworth Kenyon, *Organist.*
Charles Henry Misa, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles Devens Fairbanks
Albert Perham Hardy

SELECT MASTERS

Abels, Henry John
Baylies, Frederick Henry
Beatty, Harry Wilson
Conant, Frank Adelbert
Cornwall, James Tod
Crane, Jabeth Tunis
Eaves, Albert Thomas
Edmondson, Alfred Robert
Fairbanks, Harlan
Faulding, Mervin Coulter
Frost, Samuel
Grant, William Richard
Grant, Alexander Charles
Grenzin, John Andrew
Hayward, William Richard
Johnston, John Thompson
Kahles, Frank
Manchester, Samuel
Morse, William Henry
Pyster, John Neal
Reynolds, Charles Philip
Slosson, Willis Martin
Thomas, Benjamin Franklin
Wilson, Jerome Calvin—34

RECAPITULATION

Petitioners for dispensation 11
Greeted 23

Now borne upon the roll 34

SAN JOSE COUNCIL, U. D.

SAN JOSE, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

Stated Meetings, ...

Charles Bertie Gleason, *T. I. M.*
Frank Giorza King, *Recorder.*

LIST OF COUNCILS

With a Summary of their Returns for the Year Ending January 31, 1908

	NAME OF COUNCILS	No. of Council	Greeted	Affiliated	Restored	Withdrawn	Excluded	Suspended N. P. D.	Suspended for unmasonic conduct.	Expelled	Died	Number of members	Dues to Grand Council
1	SACRAMENTO	1	13		1						4	230	$128 00
2	CALIFORNIA	2	17		5	2					7	352	193 00
3	MARYSVILLE	3									4	39	19 50
	*SIERRA NEVADA	4											
4	SONORA	5	4		1						1	93	50 50
5	SHASTA	6						1			2	37	18 50
	*VIRGINIA	7											
	*YREKA	8											
6	HELENA	9	8								1	53	34 50
7	STOCKTON	10	12			1					4	93	58 50
8	LOS ANGELES	11	42			1					10	544	314 00
9	OAKLAND	12	14	3			2				7	293	160 50
10	GATEWAY	13										67	33 50
11	SANTA ANA	14	6			1					3	94	53 00
12	VENTURA	15	2									47	25 50
13	PASADENA	16	9	1		2						62	40 00
14	SANTA CRUZ	17	2			1						35	19 50
15	FRESNO	18					1				1	52	26 00
16	SANTA BARBARA	19	23	a11								34	40 00
17	SAN JOSE	U.D.											
	TOTALS		152	15	7	8	3	1			44	2125	$1214 50

* Charter surrendered. a Petitioners for Dispensation. Gain 118

RECAPITULATION

Number of Councils		20
Number of Councils working		17
Number of Councils making returns		16
Greeted during the year	152	
Affiliated	15	
Restored	7	
		174
Withdrawn	8	
Excluded for N. P. D. in Lodge or Chapter	3	
Suspended for non-payment of dues	1	
Died	44	
		56
Gain		118
Total Membership January 31, 1908		2125

ADDRESSES OF GRAND RECORDERS.

GRAND COUNCILS.

Sovereign and Independent Grand Councils

Grand Council.	Grand Recorder.	Address.
Connecticut	James McCormick	150 State St., Hartford
Illinois	Geo. W. Warvelle	Masonic Temple, Chicago
Kentucky	Henry B. Grant	Louisville
Michigan	Charles A. Conover	Coldwater
Mississippi	Frederic Speed	Vicksburg
New Jersey	Hiram E. Deets	Flemington
Pennsylvania	Frank W. Martenis	South Bethlehem
Rhode Island	William R. Greene	Box 576, Providence
Texas	John A. Bryan	Cleburne

Constituent Grand Councils of the General Grand Council.

Gen. Gd. Council	Henry W. Mordhurst	Ft. Wayne, Ind.
Alabama	George A. Beauchamp	Montgomery
Arkansas	Fay Hempstead	Little Rock
California	Thomas A. Davies	110 Sutter St., San Francisco
Colorado	Charles H. Jacobson	Masonic Temple, Denver
Florida	Wilber P. Webster	Jacksonville
Georgia	William A. Wolihin	Macon
Indiana	Calvin W. Prather	Indianapolis
Indian Territory	Joseph S. Murrow	Atoka
Iowa	Alfred Wingate	Des Moines
Kansas	Albert K. Wilson	Topeka
Louisiana	Richard Lambert	Masonic Temple, New Orleans
Maine	Stephen Berry	Portland
Maryland	Gus A. Eitel	Baltimore
Massachusetts	J. Gilman Waite	Masonic Temple, Boston
Minnesota	John Fishel	St. Paul
Missouri	Robert F. Stevenson	510 Pine St., St. Louis
Nebraska	Francis E. White	1608 Capitol Ave., Omaha
New Hampshire	Frank D. Woodbury	Concord
New York	Charles T. Lunt	382 Sixth Ave., New York
North Carolina	James C. Munds	Wilmington
Ohio	William E. Evans	Chillicothe
Oregon	Seth L. Pope	P. O. Box 256, Portland

South Carolina .....ZIMMERMAN DAVIS .....Charleston
Tennessee .....WILLIAM A. CLENDENING.....Nashville
Rhode Island .....ROBERT S. FRANKLIN .....Newport
South Carolina .....J. E. MCDONALD .....Winnsboro
Vermont .....HENRY H. ROSS .....Burlington
Washington .....EDWARD R. HARE .....Tacoma
Wisconsin .....WILLIAM W. PERRY .....Milwaukee

Foreign Grand Councils.

Canada .....J. ROSS ROBERTSON....55 Kings St., W. Toronto
England .....CHARLES F. MATIER....Mark Masons Hall, Great Queen St., London, W. C.
Maritime Provinces .FRANK A. GODSOE .....St. John, N. B.
Scotland .....ROBERT S. BROWN.5 Marchmont Ter., Edinburgh

Representatives of the Grand Council of California

Near Other Grand Councils

Arkansas	GAYLORD J. KLOCK	Eureka Springs
Canada	J. ROSS ROBERTSON	Toronto
Colorado	CROMWELL TUCKER	Denver
Connecticut	ALEXANDER B. SHUMWAY	Litchfield
Georgia	J. R. ROBERTS	Atlanta
Illinois	JOHN A. LADD	Morrison
Indiana	ORLANDO W. BROWNBACK	Pendleton
Indian Territory	JABEZ H. MANN	McAlester, Choctaw Nation
Iowa	W. H. NORRIS	Manchester
Kansas	ROBERT E. TORRINGTON	Wichita
Kentucky	WM. RHODES SHACKELFORD	Richmond
Louisiana	H. C. BROWN	New Orleans
Maine	MILLARD F. HICKS	Portland
Maryland	WM. F. BEVAN	Baltimore
Massachusetts	EDWARD M. WOODWARD	Boston
Michigan	BAYARD A. CHURCH	St. Louis
Minnesota	J. T. JOHNSON	105 Lincoln Ave., E. Fergus Falls
Mississippi	A. A. POSEY	Aberdeen
Missouri		
Nebraska	WM. D. FLETCHER	Schuyler
New Hampshire	JOHN F. MAYNARD	Ashland
New Jersey	MORRIS S. SMOKER	Merchantville
New York	THEODORE M. BARBER	144 Fitch St., Syracuse
North Carolina	W. F. RANDOLPH	Asheville
Ohio	ARTHUR P. CRANE	Toledo
Oregon	SETH L. POPE	Portland
Pennsylvania	REUBEN E. TAFT	Titusville
Tennessee	C. H. SMART	1516 Laurel St., Nashville
Vermont	GEORGE W. WING	Montpelier
Washington	W. A. FAIRWEATHER	Tacoma
Wisconsin	WILLIAM N. PENNELL	190 Lyon St., Milwaukee

Representatives of Other Grand Councils

Near the Grand Council of California

Arkansas	W. Frank Pierce	1000 Chestnut St., S. F.
Canada	George Alexander McKenzie	Stockton
Colorado	Jacob H. Neff	San Francisco
Connecticut	Frederick Ferdinand Barss	Placerville
England and Wales	Amasa W. Bishop	Red Bluff
Georgia	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles
Illinois	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles
Indiana	David M. Sutherland	Los Angeles
Indian Territory	William Hewson Davis	Sacramento
Iowa	Albert H. Merritt	Oakland
Kansas	Henry Ascroft	San Francisco
Kentucky	Chas. Joseph Willett	Pasadena
Louisiana	August Wackerbarth	Los Angeles
Maine	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco
Maritime Prov., N. B	John A. Britton	Oakland
Maryland		
Massachusetts	Franklin Henry Day	San Francisco
Michigan	William Monroe Petrie	Sacramento
Minnesota	John Gould Bisbee	Auburn
Mississippi	Robert Ash	San Francisco
Missouri	George Penlington	San Francisco
Nebraska	James William Towner	Santa Ana
New Hampshire	Edward Richards Hedges	Stockton
New Jersey		
New York	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco
North Carolina	John Francis Hughes	Los Angeles
Ohio	James Hedges Hall	Santa Ana
Oregon	Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt	Redwood City
Pennsylvania	Edward Richards Hedges	Stockton
Rhode Island		
South Carolina	James Bestor Merritt	Oakland
Tennessee	Henry Sayre Orme	Los Angeles
Vermont	William Abraham Davies	110 Sutter St., San Francisco
Washington	David W. Lubeck	Auburn
Wisconsin		

GRAND OFFICERS

ELECTED SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND COUNCIL, JUNE 26, A. DEP. 2860

1860.

*Isaac Davis .....*Grand Master.*
*William Caldwell Belcher .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Adolphus Hollub .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*James Lawrence English .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1861.

*William Caldwell Belcher .....*Grand Master.*
*Adolphus Hollub .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*James Lawrence English *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Isaac Sutvene Titus .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1862.

*Adolphus Hollub .....*Grand Master.*
*Isaac Sutvene Titus .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Abraham Davies .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*John Ashby Tutt .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1863.

*Isaac Sutvene Titus .....*Grand Master.*
William Abraham Davies .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Anderson Seavy .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Charles L. Danielson .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1864.

William Abraham Davies .....*Grand Master.*
*Anderson Seavy .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Louis Cohn .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
William Alexander January ....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1865.

*Anderson Seavy .....*Grand Master.*
*Louis Cohn .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Alexander January ....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1866.

*James Lawrence English .....*Grand Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work*

1867.

*Alvin Bacon Preston .....*Grand Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*William Franklin Knox .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1868.

*Joseph Isaacs .....*Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Franklin Knox .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Stephen Wing .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1870.

Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Grand Master.*
*Stephen Wing .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Leonard Gross .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Thomas Kyle .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1871.

*Stephen Wing .....*Grand Master.*
*Thomas Kyle .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1872.

*Thomas Kyle .....*Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1873.

*William Thomas Reynolds .....*Grand Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1874.

*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Grand Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Edmund Taylor Wilkins .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1875.

Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Monroe Petrie .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1876.

Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Monroe Petrie .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1877.

*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Grand Master.*
William Monroe Petrie .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
Edward Richards Hedges .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1878.

William Monroe Petrie .....*Grand Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Edward Richards Hedges .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*John William Rock .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1879.

*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Master.*
Edward Richards Hedges .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*John William Rock .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Daniel Potter Bystle .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1880.

Edward Richards Hedges .....*Grand Master.*
*John William Rock .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Daniel Potter Bystle .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
George Alexander McKenzie .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1881.

EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES .....*Grand Master.*
*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1882.

*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK .....*Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1883.

*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE .....*Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM ....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1884.

GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Grand Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM ....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
LEMUEL TRESCOTT CRANE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1885.

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY .....*Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM ....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES LORD FIELD .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1886.

CHARLES LORD FIELD .....*Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1887.

CHARLES LORD FIELD .....*Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1888.

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1889.

*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1890.

W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1891.

W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1892.

W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1893.

*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1894.

GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1895.

*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1896.

WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS .....*Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1897.

HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1898.

ROBERT ASH .....*Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
JACOB HART NEFF .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1899.

AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Grand Master.*
JACOB HART NEFF .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH ....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1900.

JACOB HART NEFF .....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH ....*Deputy Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1901.

WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH ....*Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1902.

JOHN GOULD BISBEE .....*Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1903.

ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT .....*Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*EDUARD KEIL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1904.

DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND .....*Grand Master.*
*EDUARD KEIL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1905.

*EDUARD KEIL .....*Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1906.

CHARLES J. WILLETT .....*Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR..... *Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1907.

CHARLES WILLIS NORTON .....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1908.

WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR..... *Grand Master.*
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*
*Deceased.

INSTALLATION CEREMONIES FOR COUNCILS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF

THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

Officers of Councils may be installed by any present or Past Grand Officer, or by any present or Past Master of a Council in good standing in any regularly constituted Council of Royal and Select Master Masons.

The Council being duly assembled and in working order, the installing officer shall direct the Recorder to read the names of the officers-elect, presenting themselves for installation.

After which the Master of Ceremonies shall present the Thrice Illustrious Master elect for installation, in the following words:

"Most Illustrious: I present to you Companion,—A. B.,—to be installed Thrice Illustrious Master of this Council. I find him to be well skilled in the Royal Mysteries; zealous in diffusing the sacred principles of our fathers; and in whose integrity and fidelity his Companions repose the highest confidence."

The installing officer then addresses him, as follows:

"You are now facing the East. You will about face, and face the West.

"Companions, you behold before you him whom you have elected to be Thrice Illustrious Master of the Council. If any of you know of any matter or thing wherefore he should not be installed, let him now stand forth and declare the same, or else forever hereafter hold his peace."

There being no objection, the Thrice Illustrious Master elect shall then about face, and face the East. The installing officer then addresses him as follows:

"Before proceeding with your installation I must require your unequivocal assent to the following interrogatories:

"1. Do you solemnly promise that you will use your best endeavors to correct the vices and purify the morals of your Companions, and to promote the peace and prosperity of your Council?

"2. That you will not suffer your Council to be opened when there are less than nine Select Masters present?

"3. That you will not suffer anyone to pass the circle of perfection in your Council, in whose integrity, fervency and zeal you have not entire confidence?

"4. That you will not acknowledge or hold intercourse with any Council that does not work under some regular and constitutional authority?

"5. That you will not admit a visitor into your Council who has not been regularly and lawfully invested with the degrees conferred therein, without his having previously been formally healed?

"6. That you will faithfully observe and support such By-Laws as may be made by your Council in conformity with the Constitution and General Regulations of the Grand Council under whose authority it is holden?

"7. That you will pay due respect and obedience to the Grand Officers, when duly installed, and sustain them in the discharge of their lawful duties?

"8. Do you submit to these requirements, and promise to observe and practice them?"

Response: "I do."

The Thrice Illustrious Master elect shall then be conducted to the Altar and there shall kneel and the following, or some suitable prayer, shall be offered by the Chaplain.

PRAYER.

Most Holy and Glorious Lord God, the Great and Mighty Father of all men, we Thy humble servants desire to approach Thee with all reverence, and to implore Thy blessing upon the

Companion selected to preside over and conduct the affairs of this Council, and now before Thee. Fill his heart, we beseech Thee, with Thy fear, that his tongue and actions may promote Thy glory. Make him steadfast in Thy service; grant him firmness of mind; animate his heart and strengthen his endeavors; may he be enabled to teach Thy judgments and Thy laws. Bless him, O Lord, and bless the work of his hands.

Bring us to Thy Eternal Kingdom, by Thy great mercy and by Thy Holy Name, to which be praise forever. Amen.

Response: So mote it be.

The installing officer shall then administer the following obligation:

"I, A. B., do solemnly promise that I will faithfully and to the best of my ability discharge the duties of the office to which I have been elected and that I will strictly conform to the requirements of the By-Laws of this Council and the Regulations of the Grand Council under which the same is holden, so far as they may come to my knowledge. So help me God, and keep me steadfast in the due performance of the same."

The Thrice Illustrious Master shall then be presented before the East, and the installing officer shall say:

"And now, Thrice Illustrious, with entire confidence in the rectitude of your intentions, and in the integrity of your character as a Select Master, I invest you with the appropriate insignia of your office.

"Having been honored with the free suffrages of your Companions, and elevated to the highest office within their gift, it becomes your duty to set them an example of diligence, industry and fidelity; to see that the officers associated with you faithfully perform their respective duties, and that the interests and reputation of your Council are not endangered by imprudence or neglect. The important trusts committed to your charge will call for your best exertions and the exercise of your best faculties. As the representative of the wise King of Israel it will be your duty to recite the secret traditions and

illustrate the moral principles of the Order, to cherish the worthy, and to hold in due veneration the ancient landmarks.

"By a frequent recurrence to the By-Laws of your Council, and the General Regulations and Constitution of the Grand Council, you will be enabled to fulfill the important obligations resting upon you with honor to yourself and with credit to the craft.

"And may He, without whose approbation our labors are all in vain, give wisdom to your counsels and strength to your exertions."

The Thrice Illustrious Master then makes his appointments and is seated at the right of the installing officer. The Master of Ceremonies then places the remaining officers elected and appointed at the Altar, and the installing officer administers the obligation. The officers shall then be presented before the East according to their rank and invested with the jewel of their office and the following charges delivered, after which they shall be conducted to their stations:

CHARGE TO THE DEPUTY ILLUSTRIOUS MASTER.

Illustrious Companion: Having been elected to the second office in this Council, I with great pleasure invest you with the insignia of your office.

The duties of the important office to which your Companions have elevated you will require your constant and earnest attention. You are to occupy the second seat in this Council, and it will be your duty to aid and support your Chief, in all the requirements of his office. In his absence you will be called upon to preside in the Council, and to discharge all the important duties annexed to his station.

Although the representative of a King, and elevated in rank above your Companions, yet may you never forget that in all the duties you owe to God, your neighbor, and yourself, you and they stand upon the same level of equality. Let the example of your predecessor in the Grand Council at Jerusalem stimulate you to the faithful performance of every duty; and when the King of Kings shall summon you to His im-

mediate presence, may you receive from His hand a crown of glory that shall never fade away.

CHARGE TO THE PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR OF WORK.

Companion: As the third officer of this Council, I now invest you with the insignia of your office. It is your duty to sound the silver trumpet at early dawn and eve of day, when the sun's first and last beams gild the mountain tops, to announce high noon, and proclaim the time of rest and labor.

In the absence of either of your superior officers you will be required to perform the duties annexed to his station, respectively; and as the interests of your Council ought never to suffer from the want of intelligence in its officers, you will allow me to urge upon you the necessity of being always qualified and prepared to meet the emergency, should it ever arise.

Having been admitted to the fellowship of Kings, you will be frequently reminded that the office of mediator is both honorable and praiseworthy. Let it therefore be your constant care to preserve harmony and unanimity of sentiment among the members of your Council. Discountenance whatever may tend to create division and dissensions among the Brethren in any of the departments of Masonry. And as the glorious sun at its meridian dispels the mists and clouds that obscure the horizon, so may your exertions tend to dissipate the mists of jealousy and discord, should any such ever unfortunately arise in your Council.

CHARGE TO THE TREASURER.

Companion: You have been elected to a very important and responsible office in this Council, and I now with pleasure invest you with the insignia of your office.

It is your duty to number and weigh out the shekels of the sanctuary, and to provide for the helpless orphan. The qualities which should distinguish you are accuracy and fidelity; accuracy in keeping a fair and true account of the receipts and disbursements; fidelity in carefully preserving the property and funds of the Council, and in rendering a just account of the same when required.

Your interest in this Council, your attachment to the Craft, and your known integrity of character are a sure guaranty that your duties will be faithfully performed.

CHARGE TO THE RECORDER.

Companion: I now invest you with the insignia of your office. The qualities which should distinguish you in discharging the various duties annexed to your station are correctness in recording the proceedings of your Council; judgment in discriminating between what is proper and what is improper to be written; regularity in making the returns to the Grand Council; integrity in accounting for all moneys that may pass through your hands, and fidelity in paying the same over to the Treasurer. The possession of these qualities has designated you as a suitable Companion for the important office to which you have been elected, and I entertain no doubt but that you will discharge all the duties incumbent on you with fidelity and honor. And when you shall have completed the records of your transactions here below, and finished the term of your probation, may you be admitted to the Grand Council above and find your name recorded in the books of life eternal.

CHARGE TO THE CAPTAIN OF GUARD.

Companion: Having been appointed Captain of Guard in this Council, I present you with the insignia of your office. Guard well your post, and suffer none to pass it but the select, the faithful and the worthy. Be ever attentive to the commands of your chief, and be always near at hand to see them duly executed.

CHARGE TO THE CONDUCTOR OF COUNCIL.

Companion: The office to which you have been appointed, though subordinate in rank, is of much importance in the proceedings of the Council. I therefore with pleasure invest you with the insignia of your office. In the discharge of the duties you have vountarily assumed, and with which you are

familiar, be fervent, and zealous. Let uprightness and integrity attend your steps; let justice and mercy mark your conduct and predominate in your heart through life.

CHARGE TO THE CHAPLAIN.

(Rev.) Companion: You have been appointed Chaplain of this Council. Your good inclinations will undoubtedly aid you in the performance of those solemn services which created beings should constantly render to their Great Creator; and which (when offered by one whose holy profession is to point to Heaven and lead the way) may, by refining our morals, strengthening our virtues, and purifying our minds, prepare us for admission into the presence of our Supreme Grand Master, where happiness will be as perfect as it is endless.

CHARGE TO THE STEWARD.

Companion: You have been appointed Steward of this Council. I now invest you with the insignia of your office, in full confidence that you will guard with sleepless vigilance the entrance to the secret vault, and I trust that a just regard for the reputation of a good and faithful servant will ever stimulate you to the faithful performance of the trust reposed in you.

CHARGE TO THE SENTINEL.

Companion: You are appointed Sentinel of this Council, and I take pleasure in investing you with the insignia of your office.

As the sword is placed in your hands to enable you to guard the sanctuary against intruders, so should it omrally serve as a constant admonition to us to set a guard at the entrance of our thoughts; to place a watch at the door of our lips; to post a sentinel at the avenue of our actions; thereby excluding every unworthy thought, word and deed; and enabling us to preserve our consciences void of offence towards God and man.

CHARGE TO THE COUNCIL.

Worthy and Beloved Companions: From the nature of our beloved institution, some must of necessity rule and others

obey; and while justice and moderation are required of the officers in the discharge of their official duties, subordination and respect for their rulers are equally demanded of the members. The relation is reciprocal, the interests of both are inseparable, and without co-operation the labors of neither can succeed. Let the avenues to your passions be strictly guarded. Let no curious intruder find his way into the secret recesses of your retirement to disturb the harmony which should ever prevail among the select and chosen. In so doing you will best secure the prosperity of your Council, the respect of your Companions, and the commendations of your own consciences.

The installing officer then presents the charter to the T. I. M., with these words: "I now present you with the charter under which this Council is convened. Guard it carefully and transmit it to your successor when installed. I also present you with the By-Laws of this Council, which you are to see carefully and impartially executed, and which are not to be suspended save in case of extreme necessity, for which you will be answerable to the Grand Council."

The installing officer then causes the Master of Ceremonies to make the following declaration:

"In the name and by the authority of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California, I do now declare the officers of.....Council, No..... regularly installed into their respective offices, in due and ancient form.

The Chaplain may then conclude the installation ceremonies by delivering the following or some suitable form of

PRAYER.

Eternal and ever blessed Jehovah, most humbly do we beseech Thee to look down with an eye of favor upon this Council, now assembled before Thee.

Bless, if it shall please Thee, the proceedings of this hour, and grant that every transaction of this body may tend to Thy glory, and to our advancement in knowledge and virtue; and to Thy great name shall be ascribed eternal praises, world without end. Amen.

Response: So mote it be.

COUNCILS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL

Grand Councils	Time of Holding Annual Assembly	Councils.	Members	Committee on Correspondence.	Residence.
Alabama	Monday before the first Tuesday in December	9	416	No Committee ...	.....
Arkansas	Fourth Saturday in November	14	237	Fay Hemstead	Little Rock.
California	Monday preceding third Tuesday...	16	2,125	James B. Merritt	Oakland.
Colorado	Third Wednesday in September ...	10	498	No Committee ...	.....
Florida.....	No Proceedings	..	....	.....	.....
Georgia	Last Tuesday in April	31	903	No Committee	.....
Indiana	Fourth Tuesday in October.....	63	4,684	H. W. Mordhurst.	Fort Wayne.
Iowa	During first week in October	21	922	Wm. F. Cleveland	Harlan.
Indian Ter'y ..	Third Thursday in April	11	260	No Committee ...	.....
Kansas	Third Monday in February	10	1,145	Wm. M. Shaver .	Topeka.
Louisiana	First Thursday in February	9	405	No Committee ...	.....
Maine	Second Wednesday in May	16	3,644	Albro E. Chase ..	Portland.
Maryland	Third Wednesday in November ...	11	917	John M. Carter ..	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	Second Wednesday in December ..	28	6,882	J. Gilman Waite .	Boston.
Minnesota	Second Tuesday in October	8	908	.....	.....
Missouri	Fourth Tuesday in April	15	1,325	Rob. F. Stevenson	St. Louis.
Nebraska	Second Wednesday in December ..	23	1,092	Gd. Representative	.....
New Hampshire	Second Monday in May	14	1,883	F. D. Woodbury..	Concord.
New York	Fourth Tuesday in August	24	4,377	John W. Coburn .	New York.
No. Carolina..	Third Wednesday in May	7	290	James Southgate .	Durham.
Ohio	First Tuesday in October	67	9,167	Nelson Williams .	Hampton.
Oregon	Second Wednesday in April	6	357	No Committee ..	

So. Carolina ..	Second Tuesday in February	6	207	Zimmerman Davis	Charleston.
Tennessee	Fourth Monday in January	20	732	M. Flenniken	Knoxville.
Vermont	Second Tuesday in June	17	1,319	Marsh O. Perkins	Windsor.
*Washington .	Third Tuesday in June	8	556	Edward R. Hare .	Tacoma.
Wisconsin	Third Tuesday in February	21	2,074	Jacob Dreher	Milwaukee.
Gen. Gnd. Coun.	In 1909 at Savannah, Ga	18	352	.....	
	Total	493	47,777		
	Independent Grand Councils ...	244	23,835		
	Grand Total	737	71,612		

*From last year's returns.

INDEPENDENT GRAND COUNCILS

Grand Councils	Time of Holding Annual Assembly.	Councils.	Members	Committee on Correspondence.	Residence.
Connecticut ...	Wednesday succeeding the second Tuesday in May	23	4,426	John H. Barlow ..	Hartford.
Illinois	Second Wednesday in September ..	51	4,601	Geo. W. Warvelle .	Chicago.
Kentucky	Second Monday in October	31	1,208	Henry B. Grant ..	Louisville.
Mississippi	Third Wednesday in February	44	1,570	No Committee ...	.....
Michigan	Fourth Monday in May	58	5,802	Chas. A. Conover .	Coldwater.
New Jersey ...	Third Tuesday in March	7	691	No Committee	.....
Pennsylvania ..	Third Tuesday in January	26	3,814	Frank W. Martenis	So. Bethlehem.
Rhode Island .	Second Tuesday in April	5	1,723	Henry W. Rugg...	Providence.
		244	23,835		

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

ALABAMA.

1907.

The Seventieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Alabama was held in the city of Montgomery, December 3, 1908.

Present: The Grand Officers, except Sentinel, four Past Grand Masters and the representatives of nine Councils.

So far as shown by the Grand Master's address he had little to do and did it well. Three dispensations, needless under our laws, appear to be the sum of his efforts, barring a few appointments of Grand Representatives.

Grand Recorder's report deals entirely with finances, and we find that there is money in the bank. In a supplemental report we see that Grand Recorder has had 102 volumes of Proceedings bound, making a small library.

The Finance Committee must have had great expectations as they recommended appropriations to an amount exceeding the income of the past year.

Sixty-three Comps. were greeted during the year and eight were affiliated and restored. The losses were twenty-one—making a net gain of fifty.

No correspondence report.

Eight Councils, 463 members.

WILLIAM W. RANSOM, Birmingham, Grand Master; GEORGE A. BEAUCHAMP, Montgomery, Grand Recorder.

ARKANSAS.

1907.

The Grand Council of Arkansas held its Forty-fourth Annual Assembly in the city of Little Rock, November 27, 1907.

All of the Grand Officers were present, Grand Steward excepted. Five Past Grand Masters answered to the roll call, and ten Councils were represented.

Sickness had caused the Grand Master to flee to the Pacific Coast, there to drink in health which we have here to spare. This certainly was a valid excuse for not performing those duties incumbent on his office, which otherwise would have been a source of enjoyment. However, he was able to grant dispensations for two new Councils which were organized by faithful Companions.

It will be remembered that last year Grand Master BRICKEY waived jurisdiction over a number of R. A. Ms. residing in the Northern part of the State, and Campbell Council of Missouri conferred the degrees upon them. These petitioned for a dispensation, and when it was granted, Campbell Council went to Rector, where the new Council was to be organized, and aided in launching into life—Omega Council.

But what signification has this name? Is this the last Council ever to be organized in Arkansas? We hope not.

Grand Master recommended that the faithful services of Grand Recorder be recognized by doubling his salary. This was also recommended by the Finance Committee and Grand Council adopted the recommendation. Comp. HEMPSTEAD will now receive the munificent sum of $100 per annum.

Last year a communication was sent to the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar asking that the Council degrees be made a prerequisite to receiving the Orders of Knighthood.

As any well informed knight knows, it is not within the power of Grand Commandery to make such a regulation, and Grand Council was firmly but politely so informed.

A charter was granted to Omega Council at Rector, and the dispensations of Giblin and Adoniram Councils were continued.

In the afternoon the degrees were conferred upon three Companions, and Grand Council was closed in Ample Form.

Last year we made a few remarks about the apparent paucity of attendance at this Grand Council, and Comp. Hempstead in a private letter hauled us over the coals (and they were hot ones). Now, we publicly, beg pardon, eat our words, and do anything a mere mortal can, to regain his good opinion.

No report on correspondence, but Comp. Hempstead quotes a lot of good things from Warvelle and Grant, which, with his own observations thereon, make several pages of interesting reading.

His page on "Warrants and Charters" contains more than the average amount of good sense. What is a charter but a deed, reciting that certain persons and their lawful successors are in possession of certain rights and privileges. Now as the loss of my deed can in no way compromise my right of possession in my home, the loss or absence of a charter can not destroy or annul the privileges granted thereby. Comp. Hempstead's defense of his Grand Council, *in re* conferring degrees, is well and ably put, and we are tempted to accept is as convincing. Let's hear the other side!

There are seventeen Councils in this Jurisdiction, but Comp. HEMPSTEAD has failed to report the number of members.

C. L. BROWN, Arkadelphia, Grand Master; FAY HEMPSTEAD, Little ROCK, Grand Recorder.

COLORADO.

1907.

The Grand Council of Colorado met for the thirteenth time in the city of Denver, September 18, 1907.

Present: All the Grand Officers except Chaplain. Four Past Grand Masters and the representatives of all the Councils, a goodly number of Grand Representatives answered to the roll call.

We recommend Grand Master FOSTER's address to future occupants of the Grand East in every Jurisdiction. Read it carefully, and go and do likewise. Work is his text, and he practises what he preaches.

A fair degree of prosperity appears to have been enjoyed during the year. The committees having faithfully performed their appointed tasks were prompt with their reports. New Grand Officers were elected and installed, and a new Council was chartered at Leadville. All being finished at one session, the Companions returned to their abodes with the satisfaction of having faithfully performed their duty to the Craft. The new Constitution and Laws are printed with the Proceedings. If obeyed in all respects, Grand Council will do well.

Twelve Councils, 591 members.

LAURENCE N. GREENLEAF, Denver, Grand Master; ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER, Denver, Grand Recorder.

CONNECTICUT.

The Grand Council of Connecticut held its Eighty-ninth Annual Assembly, May 15, 1907, in the city of New Haven.

The Grand Officers were in their places, Grand Captain of Guards alone failing to report. Eleven Past Grand Masters revisited the scenes of their labors, and twenty-one Councils were represented.

Grand Master reports Peace, Harmony and Prosperity. He had made a number of visits, and had issued some special dispensations.

Arrangements were made with Harmony Council, No. 8, to exemplify the degrees.

Grand Master was "almost persuaded" that union with Gen. Grand Council would be a good thing, possibly an entering wedge for pre requisition, which he evidently favors. Grand Council, however, unanimously decided to drill alone. The usual routine business was transacted, Grand Officers elected and installed and Grand Council was closed.

The report on Correspondence is by the veteran BARLOW. California, 1906 is noticed and Comp. DAVIES' explanation of the loss of our report is given. We shall always consider that missing report our best one. Its cremation precludes any discussion on the subject.

Under Georgia, 1906, he asks if the fact that no decisions are asked

of Grand Masters, and the almost universal report of "nothing doing" from Committees on Grievances does not show not only peace and harmony among the Companions and a high order of intelligence in the Masters, but also some lack of life and energy. "Rough house" certainly shows life, and interest taken, at least by the participators, but it seems to us that those who move in the even tenor of their way, faithfully performing their duties, are more apt to secure good and permanent results than those who are continually stirring up strife. He quotes freely from the able address of Grand Master SPILL which we reviewed last year. It was good enough to copy entire. From a late Connecticut paper we learn that Comp. BARLOW was unable to attend Grand Lodge on account of illness.

We sincerely hope that ere this he has recovered and that we shall hear from him next year.

Twenty-three Councils; 4,527 members.

GEORGE E. MELIUS, Bridgeport, Grand Master; JAMES MCCORMICK, Hartford, Grand Recorder.

ENGLAND AND WALES.

1907.

The Grand Council of England and Wales met in Mark Master's Hall, Great Queen street, London, March 21, 1907.

Present: The EARL OF EUSTON, Grand Master, and all other Grand Officers except Deputy Grand Master and Grand Chaplain.

Grand Recorder read a report on the condition of the Rite, complimenting the work of the Councils. A small increase was noted in the membership. One new Council was established in the ancient city of York.

A tribute was paid to the memory of a number of Companions advanced to the Supreme Council above. Comp. T. P. DORMAN was unanimously elected Grand Treasurer. Grand Master appointed the Deputy Grand Master who was proclaimed by all his Masonic, civil and military titles, and Grand Council was closed in Ample Form.

A list of all members is given amounting to 1,188.

The EARL OF EUSTON, Grand Master; T. F. MATIER, Grand Recorder.

FLORIDA.

1904—1905—1906.

We are rejoiced to learn from documentary evidence that the Grand Council of Florida is alive, if the kicking is not very vigorous. We have received a copy of the Proceedings for the years 1904-1905-1906.

The Twenty-fourth Annual Assembly took place at Jacksonville,

January 20, 1904. The Grand Master was the only Grand Officer present. Four Councils were represented.

With the assistance of pro tems. Grand Master was able to open Grand Council in Ample Form, after which he made a short address, stating that the principal business would be the election of officers, and re-establishing the records destroyed by fire some years ago. The election was held, but the record does not show any other business transacted.

Grand Master HALLMARK having served since 1887, was tired and asked to be relieved. The Grand Master-elect not being present, provision was made for his installation in Hálifax Council No. 1.

May 10, 1905. Grand Council again assembled at Jacksonville. Grand Master was not present. Four Councils sent delegates. Grand Recorder reported a new Council organized at Plant City and named Tyler Council. A charter was granted, and also a new one provided for Union Council No. 7, with permission to remove to Pensacola. The Grand Officers were all re-elected.

Grand Council again met in Jacksonville, January 19, 1906.

The Grand Officers were present, Grand Master alone having forgotten the date. All the Councils were represented, and Grand Recorder reported dues paid up to date.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, who had been searching among the old ruins for missing documents finally concluded that the cremation had been complete, and reported a brand new Constitution and By-Laws.

We earnestly hope that this Grand Council will take a new lease of life and will be able to find officers who will work during the year and be present at the Assemblies.

Five Councils, 161 members.

L. A. MASSEY, Orlando, Grand Master; WILBER P. WEBSTER, Jacksonville, Grand Recorder.

GEORGIA.

1907.

On April 23, 1907, the Grand Council of Georgia held its Sixty-fourth Annual Assembly in the city of Macon. All Grand Officers except Conductor of Council being present, with three Past Grand Masters and the representatives of twenty Councils.

Grand Master reported a good deal of office work. Representatives to other Councils were appointed, and dispensations issued.

One decision was rendered which no doubt will receive the approbation of everybody, but what can we think of the Companion asking for it.

It needs no erudition to determine that any one Mason or profane should pay for goods received or take the consequences, and expulsion is none too great a penalty for one refusing to pay for a degree received. Further, the Council conferring the degree, not having received the fee should be dealt with severely.

Grand Master thinks Comp. SWANSTROM ought not to call P. G. M. JULIUS BROWN's proposition (to receive candidates direct from the Blue Lodge) the "Georgia Idea," as the Grand Council sat down on it emphatically. We think it was rather a "Dark Brown" idea.

Grand Master had a good time at the Gen. Grand Council at Boston, and was especially pleased with the exemplification of the S. E. Degree. We regret that we were not present with him, as he watched the ceremony. We have notions of our own about that degree but have never had paraphernalia or assistance to confer it as we would like. It can be made a feature, and no horse play in it either.

The Committee on Returns found an extraordinary number of irregularities, but passed the buck to Grand Council, and that was the last heard of the matter.

Election of officers and appointment of committees completed the business and Grand Council was closed in Ample Form.

Thirty-one Councils, 1,002 members.

W. H. NURNBERGER, Augusta, Grand Master; W. A. WOLIHIN, Macon, Grand Recorder.

ILLINOIS.

1907.

Alton, September 11th, 1907, was the place and date of the Fifty-fifth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Illinois.

Grand P. C. W. and Grand Treasurer were absent. All other Grand Officers answered to roll call, as did also fifteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of thirty-six Councils.

Grand Master was not among the idlers. He had been busy during his term, and his experience led him to make several recommendations, which were generally satisfactory to Grand Council. He reports general prosperity, a substantial gain in membership, but thinks more work will show more progress.

The financial showing made by Grand Recorder is most satisfactory.

It was voted to keep Grand Council on wheels, and Canton was chosen as the next place of meeting.

Comp. WARVELLE gives his usual spicy report. California, 1906, receives mention. He considers the reason for the non-appearance of our report a *fairly* good one. Had he been here on April 18th he would have pronounced the reason double first-class. We are glad to

find him on our side of the "Real Presence" question. It would seem to be the common sense view. Under Indiana he indorses MORDHURST's opinion that the exoteric ritual should always be read. This may be right, but we have never been able to find any law on the subject, and we have in another place expressed our personal preference. He laughs at MORDHURST's wild battle-cry on the Michigan Healing. Seems to us that if any Companion has received the degrees in a manner satisfactory to any regular Grand Council that ought to be sufficient; he is good enough and needs no healing. But if he comes direct from a Chapter, as for instance from Texas or Virginia, then off to the hospital with him, and thoroughly heal him. Under Massachusetts, he thinks the room for improvement, in the S. E Degree, is the largest room in the house. While the degree itself is all right, the rendition may require "all out of doors" to put it in the proper shape. In concluding, Comp. WARVELLE gives several pages of interesting matter concerning warrants and charters, all of which we cordially indorse. Concerning rituals, about which we know nothing, and about "Independence" which strikes a responsive chord in our heart, though we hardly dare say so. Vive WARVELLE.

Forty-five Councils, 4,946 members.

WILL C. ROOD, Chicago, Grand Master; GIL W. BARNARD, Chicago, Grand Recorder.

INDIANA.

1907.

The Fifty-second Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Indiana met in the city of Indianapolis, October 22, 1907.

The Grand Officers were all promptly on hand, and, supported by nineteen Past Grand Masters and the Representatives of sixty-one Councils were able to open Grand Council in truly Ample Form.

Grand Master's address was strictly business. He had issued one dispensation to organize a new Council. This was at South Bend, and was very successful, having increased their membership from 40 to 130.

Grand Recorder's report shows a highly satisfactory state of affairs, both financially and in increased membership.

Reports of other committees emphasized the tone of prosperity which pervaded the Grand Council, and a sociable "good time" was had.

Comp. MORDHHURST again writes the review. The "era of good feeling" has cured his dyspepsia and even his inevitable tilt with WARVELLE is devoid of acrimony. He notices California, 1906 and 1907, and speaks of our scribblings as "hand made." They are that, for we do not even use a typewriter.

Under Georgia, speaking of the fellow who would not pay for his degrees after he had received them, he says: Raus mit him! So say

we all of us. But some pointed remarks should be addressed to the Council that conferred the degrees without a previous sight of the "scads." His row with WARVELLE is over the power of Councils U. D. to affiliate members. All our Grand Bodies side with MORDHURST and we affiliate, while U. D. Who is to say us nay? Are not our members so affiliated in good and regular standing?

Under Pennsylvania, he characterizes as one of the oddities of Masonry the granting of dispensations to act on petitions without waiting the usual time. We always wait the usual time, and that time is about five minutes. No dispensation and no harm done. He thinks practice and preaching have their backs turned on each other in Pennsylvania. Preaching conservatism and adhesion to ancient landmarks, in his opinion, does not jibe with inventing a new past 3 Ill. Degree, and giving a new name to the Fraternity.

Sixty-four Councils, 4,955 members.

DWIGHT H. HAWKS, Goshen, Grand Master; CALVIN W. PRATHER, Indianapolis, Grand Recorder.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

1907.

The Thirteenth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Indian Territory convened at El Reno, April 17, 1907.

All the Grand Officers were present except the Grand Master, who was sick. Seven Past Grand Masters were present, and six of the eleven Councils were represented.

Deputy Grand Master presided and read the Grand Master's address.

The condition of the Rite might be called fair to middling, but there was much room for improvement. Grand Master, like his predecessors, issued such dispensations as he thought fit.

He recommended a change in the law, so that neglect by a Council to act upon a petition for permission to organize a new Council should not be equivalent to adverse action.

Degrees were conferred upon 12 candidates, for the purpose of organizing a Council at El Reno, and a charter was ordered for the Council at Frederick.

Twelve Councils, 320 members.

ROBERT Y. MORRISON, Atoka, Grand Master; J. S. MURROW, Atoka, Grand Recorder.

IOWA.

1907.

The Eighth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Iowa met at Fort Dodge, October 1, 1907.

The Grand Master and several other Grand Officers were absent. Five Past Grand Masters were present and thirteen Councils were represented.

A telegram of sympathy was sent to the Grand Master who was detained by sickness. Deputy Grand Master A. S. LAURENCE presided and read the Grand Master's address, which was very short. There had been an increase in work done, but deaths, dimits, and suspensions carried the balance to the wrong side of the ledger. A slight friction in one Council was happily settled by a Companion sent for that purpose. Ill health had prevented carrying out good resolutions. Two Councils had surrendered their charters.

Grand Council adopted a resolution directing the Grand Master to "make arrangements as to paraphernalia, working force, etc., for the suitable conferring or exemplification of the three Council degrees at the next assembly." We do not understand whether Grand Council is to confer the degrees or have some subordinate Council do so.

Past Grand Master CLEVELAND reported that he had prepared a history of the Cryptic Rite in Iowa which was ordered printed.

Comp. CLEVELAND presented his sixth report on Correspondence. It was, as heretofore, a thorough resume of the proceedings of the several Grand Councils, and California receives her share of notice. He criticises, under Connecticut, Barlow's separation of the sheep and goats. We certainly prefer the alphabetical arrangement, and don't fancy segregation. The Independents are just as good as we are—and no better. Let us have a friendly mix. He observes, under Georgia, that nearly one-third of the Councils are named after individuals, many of whom are still living. Our Grand Lodge forbids this, and the other bodies follow the same rule. We consider dead Indians the only good ones. Under Mississippi he wishes that California, New York, Kentucky, Mississippi and Vermont would modify the deep purple of their robes and wear a color less trying to the eyes. Alabama and England have a lighter shade which we think would suit Comp. CLEVELAND, and certainly is more to our notion.

Nineteen Councils, 906 members.

A. S. LAURENCE, Muscatine, Grand Master; ALF. WINGATE, Des Moines, Grand Recorder.

KENTUCKY.

1907.

The Eightieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Kentucky convened at Louisville, October 14, 1907.

The Grand Officers were all present. Fourteen Past Grand Masters answered to roll call, and the Representatives of sixteen Councils did the same.

Grand Master did not feel called upon to report the numerous dispensations which he had issued. These infractions of the law, being his constitutional prerogative, do not come under the jurisdiction of Grand Council. If all Grand Masters would take this position there would be a great saving in printers' bills. He then proceeded to trim down his prerogative by deciding that no dispensation was necessary to act on petitions instanter. He made several recommendations, most of which were adopted by Grand Council, but they decided that the S. E. Degree should be left out of the curriculum for the present, and until officers are more proficient in the work of the R. & S. degrees.

Via Kentucky we learn that Texas is about to set up shop as a regular Grand Council. Welcome Lone Star! Come in with the rest and help form a great constellation. An effort was made to join Gen. Grand Council, but without effect. Try again—it will come some time.

Last year we expressed the hope that Comp. GRANT was "incubating" an extended report. The eggs were fertile, and the brood shows up well. It is called: Doings of Grand Councils, as observed by P. G. M. H. B. Grant. Reporter for the Grand Council of Kentucky.

California, 1906, is noticed. Under Connecticut he argues that a Grand Council must have a quorum present in order to hold any kind of a meeting. Comp. BARLOW thinks differently and instances meetings of Grand Lodge, for dedications, laying of corner stones, etc., where few if any officers of Grand Lodge are actually present. Under Indiana he quotes Comp. MORDHURST, concerning committing to memory, and says: "A reader usually bungles and can not be so feelingly impressive as he could be if untrammelled by book or notes." That is the way we feel about it, and as presiding officer we always committed the charges, etc. We sympathize with his remarks under Iowa concerning the use of new words in Masonic affairs. Let us stick to the old nomenclature that we may differ a little from modern societies. He says: "It is almost desecration to change our Craft language." Leave out the *almost*.

We would like to use much space in excerpts from and comments on Comp. GRANT's doings, but fairness to other jurisdictions forbids. He has a bright eye to discern fine points, and lets nothing guilty escape. More than half the time he voices California ways and ideas, and he is especially interesting in his "Congruous Finish." He says that he won't do so any more, but were we G. M. of Kentucky we would use our prerogative and compel him to work. Why, Comp. GRANT, what is seventy years? Just mature manhood, best of all the years. Our Grand Secretary of Grand Chapter and Grand Recorder of Grand Commandery, Comp. W. A. DAVIES, has just passed his

eighty-second birthday, his natural force not abated and his last twenty years' work his best. Keep at it, Comp. GRANT, so long as you can write such reports as your's of 1907.

Thirty-one Councils; 1,352 members.

JOHN T. KINCAID, Lexington, Grand Master; HENRY B. GRANT, Louisville, Grand Recorder.

LOUISIANA.

1906-1907.

The Fifty-first Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Louisiana was held in New Orleans, February 8, 1906.

Present: All Grand Officers, four Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of eight Councils.

Quarantine had interfered with Grand Master, and prevented him from visiting or doing any other work. Consequently the session was wholly occupied by routine business.

Grand Council urged upon the incoming Grand Master (who, by the way, was also the outgoing one) the duty of visiting all the Councils, or of appointing some well qualified Companion to do so.

The Fifty-second Annual Assembly convened in New Orleans, February 7, 1907, all Grand Officers being present.

Seven Past Grands appeared, but only seven Councils were represented.

Grand Master had neglected to obey the behest of Grand Council, and reported but one visit. The mantle of prophecy having rested upon him, he announced the coming birth of two new Councils. Finances were reported as being on the gain.

Third terms have no terrors for the Companions of Louisiana, and Grand Master was told to try again. Let us hope that he will improve with age, and that his last days may be his most active ones.

Don't let us fail to see those two new Councils next year.

Nine Councils; 405 members.

GUS. D. LEVY, New Orleans, Grand Master; RICHARD LAMBERT, New Orleans, Grand Recorder.

MAINE.

1907.

The Fifty-third Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Maine met in Portland, May 8, 1907.

All the Grand Officers were present, all the sixteen Councils were represented and twelve Past Grand Masters returned to the scene of their former labors.

Grand Master's address was long and interesting. He was willing to work and wanted others to do the same. He recommended a much-needed change in the basis of revenue, had addressed a letter to each 3 Ill. Master urging more work, and in general showed his devotion to the cause. From his report of visits to the Councils his exhortations must have been heeded to some extent as 306 Comps. entered the S. V. during the year. He likened Masonry to a tree, and thought the branches at the top representing the Council were rather slim.

Grand Council thanked Grand Master for the excellent manner in which he had discharged the duties of his office.

The committee to whom the address was referred coincided with all the ideas advanced, and laid them over till next year for further consideration. They gave also as their opinion that "the teachings of the S. E. degree certainly have no place for excessive hilarity." A self-evident fact. There was little laughing among those who enacted the scenes which we represent.

Comp. ALBRO E. CHASE continues in the Reporter's chair. He notices California, 1906 and 1907. He says that he always reads our report with profit. We certainly profit in making it.

No one can carefully read, as we do, the proceedings of each Grand Council and the reports of the Correspondence Circle without gain to himself, and if any one finds even a crumb of good in our comments our labors will not have been in vain.

Comp. CHASE'S review is one of the best. While he does not obtrude the "personal equation" quite so much as some of us do, his few comments and opinions are in our judgment all right.

Sixteen Councils; 3,862 members.

ALFRED S. KIMBALL, Norway, Grand Master; STEPHEN BERRY, Portland, Grand Recorder.

MARYLAND.

1907.

The Thirty-fourth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Maryland convened in Baltimore, November 20, 1907, all the Grand Officers being present.

Eight Councils were represented, and four Past Grand Masters graced the occasion.

Grand Master delivered a verbal address which Grand Recorder must have condensed under several hundred-pound pressure.

We find that Grand Master had visited every Council in the State, some of them several times. "He had succeeded in 'reviving' one Council, 'resuscitating' another, and had instituted another."

We would like to know the present status of the "revived" and

"resuscitated" Councils, and wherein they now differ. Also the difference in the modus operandi in "reviving" and "resuscitating."

A net gain of 163 members was reported, and also a bank account of $306.52.

The Committee on Correspondence reported that they had examined the proceedings of thirty Grand Councils and considered them interesting and instructive reading.

In which we all coincide. However, they made no further report.

The Super Excellent Degree was formally adopted as the Third degree of the Rite, and arrangements were made whereby all present R. & S. Ms. might have the degree conferred or communicated.

We understand that hereafter Comps. must receive the degree upon becoming members of the Council. Two charters were ordered issued.

Having little to do, officers were elected and Grand Council sent home. We hope with the determination to work hard for the Council, and make a better showing next year.

Thirteen Councils; 1,080 members.

GRAHAM DUKEHART, Baltimore, Grand Master; GUSTAVE A. EITEL, Baltimore, Grand Recorder.

MASSACHUSETTS.

1906.

A Special Assembly was held February 22, 1906, at Springfield, to exemplify the work for the benefit of the Companions in the western part of the State. The three degrees were exemplified before the representatives of twelve Councils, by teams, composed mostly of members of Hiram Council of Worcester. There was an intermediate degree conferred upon the Grand Master by a solitaire team composed of the Grand Lecturer, the visible evidence of which was a fine P. G. M. jewel.

On June 18, 1906, a Special Assembly convened in Boston for the purpose of welcoming the General Grand Council. All the Grand Officers were present, and presumably a large number of Companions, though the record is silent on the subject.

Grand Master delivered an address of welcome, to which the Gen. Grand Master responded in terms fitting the place and the occasion.

In the evening that exemplification of the S. E. degree of which we have heard so much, took place. Meanwhile the ladies were banqueted and the Special Assembly was closed.

Another Special Assembly was held in Boston October 29, 1906. The Grand Officers and the representatives of sixteen Councils were present. The degrees were exemplified by a team composed of members of dif-

ferent Councils. The new lectures were used and at the close it was voted to recommit them for abbreviation, report to be made to the next Regular Assembly.

The Eighty-first Annual Assembly convened at Boston, December 12, 1906, all the Grand Officers being present, together with four Past Grand Masters and the representatives of twenty-one Councils. The reports of various committees appear to have preceded the address of the Grand Master.

Grand Recorder showed a net gain of 238 members, and the receipt of $2,748.20, but Grand Treasurer reports an expenditure of $3,671.09, reducing the surplus by nearly $1000.

The entertainment of General Grand Council accounts for this. No matter; they had a good time, well worth the money, and it will be many years before the like occurs again. The Committee on Lectures reported; the lectures as amended were adopted as the standard for Massachusetts. An elaborate report was presented by the Committee on Necrology, and another committee reported the doings of General Grand Council. Grand Master then read his address, which was a thorough resume of the doings of the year, with several good recommendations, which were so favorably received that at the election immediately ensuing he was unanimously re-elected. Grand Council then adopted the recommendations of the Grand Master, settled on the proper titles for the Grand Officers and adopted certain additions to the S. E. degree.

Comp. J. G. WAITE comes up smiling for the ninth time. California, 1906, appears in his report. His notes on each Grand Council are very full and touch many points of interest. Under Georgia he remarks a peculiar decision of the Grand Master, to the effect that a proxy or representative must be a Past 3 Ill. Master. In California, as in Massachusetts, any member of a Masonic body, duly appointed, may represent it in the Grand Body.

He is generous to Mississippi, giving her six pages, quoting the report of the special committee on union with the General Grand Council, and the report of the Grand Recorder on the state of the craft. This last may be commended to the consideration of all worthy companions.

Under New Hampshire he quotes the Grand Master's decision, that petitions must be received and balloted on at a stated meeting, and that the constitutional time must intervene, and says: "Good law and well stated." Of course, obey the constitution, and don't break it all up small by dispensations. Our constitution allows us to ballot immediately, and we have never seen any ill effects from so doing. He notes, under Ohio, Comp. WILLIAM's sentiments on rotation in office, and poli-

tics in Grand Bodies, and says: "Happily this does not include Massachusetts."

Well, so far as Grand Council is concerned, it does not include California, but we are sorry to say that in other bodies, especially Grand Lodge, we have observed pronounced symptoms of the disease.

The volume of Proceedings this year contains the constitution, an elaborate installation ceremony, necessary forms, etc., all interesting to the Masonic student.

Twenty-eight Councils, 7,120 members.

EDWARD CRANDON, Cambridge, Grand Master; J. GILMAN WAITE, Boston, Grand Recorder.

MICHIGAN.

1907.

The Forty-ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Michigan convened at Port Huron, May 20, 1907, all Grand Officers being present. Twelve Past Grand Masters graced the occasion, and fifty-three Councils sent their representatives.

A letter was read from P. G. M. HUGH MCCURDY regretting his inability to be present, he being confined by sickness. However, he promised to get well in time for the Fiftieth Anniversary next year.

Grand Master's address shows him to be an enthusiast in Cryptic Masonry. He visited a large number of Councils, issued several quires of dispensations, and answered a number of questions, most, if not all of which 3 Ill. Masters should have been able to answer themselves.

He decided that a Council may not confer the S. E. degree on a member of another Council without a request from such Council. There is no fault to be found with that, but he goes further, and adds: "In case of a 3 Ill. Master the S. E. degree can be conferred at any time, and by any Council." Now, on what meats are 3 Ill. Masters fed that they are entitled to privileges above the common herd? But Grand Master appears not to be sure of his ground, for he asks Grand Council to make a law to that effect. We hope they will not.

Grand Recorder Conover reports returns from every Council and all dues paid. He gives a table of membership since 1871, showing a steady gain, but 1906 with a gain of 762 is a limit not soon to be passed. Grand Lecturer got busy during the year, which may account for prompt returns.

Comp. CONOVER made a lengthy report on the visit of the special committee to General Grand Council, adding thereto a history of the formation of that body, and the action of Michigan thereon up to date, and winding up with a resolution to let well enough alone and not become a constitutent of General Grand Council. The chairman of the

committee on Obituaries commences his report as follows: "It becomes our duty as worthy Knights of the Cross," etc. Now, as the S. V. was built by men of Gebal centuries before Knighthood was in flower this seems at least to be a slight anachronism. Besides, many worthy companions have conscientious objections to being styled "Knights of the Cross." Let us play in our own back yard.

Committees were appointed to revise the manual and the laws. Grand Recorder CONOVER presented a report on correspondence, 83 pages long. If there is any kick coming he offers himself as the kickee, that is, if any dare become the kicker. An "Independent Sovereign" himself, he thinks Comp. BARLOW "real mean" to make "such a glaring distinction and then put the big bunch in the tail end." In other words, making the tail bigger than the dog. Which will do the wagging?

After a careful reading of the report of Comp. CONOVER we can do no better than quote Comp. STEVENSON, who says: "This Reviewer is careful, painstaking and writes an interesting report. His methods are systematic, aggressive and in accord with the progressive character of the environment."

Sixty-one Councils, 6,365 members.

FRANK O. GILBERT, Bay City, Grand Master; CHARLES O. CONOVER, Coldwater, Grand Recorder.

MISSISSIPPI.

1907.

The Fifty-second Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Mississippi convened at Natchez, February 20, 1907.

Grand Council was called to order by P. G. M. FREDERIC SPEED, who demanded of the Captain of the Guard:

Are all present, R. & S. Masters?

Capt. of Guard—All present are R. & S. Masters.

Comp. SPEED—Is our number complete?

Capt. of Guard—Alas, no! The Grand Master's seat is vacant, enshrouded in emblems of deepest mourning.

Comp. SPEED—Yes, truly Companions, the veil of our heads is grief—it is as the mourning for an only son, and the end thereof as a bitter day to those in a lonely house, for the peace of God which passeth all understanding fell upon our Grand Master on the 20th of December last, when PHINEAS MESSENGER SAVERY was gathered unto his Fathers.

Comp. SPEED then proceeded with an eloquent eulogy on the M. I. Comp. who for six terms had filled the chair of Grand Master of Grand Council, and had also served as Grand Master of Grand Lodge, as Grand High Priest and as Grand Commander.

The Deputy Grand Master then proceeded to open Grand Council in due form, all the other Grand Officers being present, and twenty-nine Councils being represented. If any Past Grand Masters were present except Comps. SPEED and DE LAP we are unable to find the names.

Deputy Grand Master read an address which he calls a "wail of sorrow," in which no action was reported except the letter of Comp. SAVERY, appointing inspectors.

Grand Recorder reported many delinquencies in returns and dues, but had faith that all would come out right in the end.

The Finance Committee reported a balance on hand of $1,997.57, from which they recommended a donation of $1,000 to the Masonic Home. This shows a spirit of liberality and a sympathy with the faith of Grand Recorder that the delinquents will finally come up with the coin.

No report on Correspondence.

Forty-four Councils, 1,799 members.

JOHN S. COBB, Verona, Grand Master; FREDERIC SPEED, Vicksburg, Grand Recorder.

MISSOURI.

1907.

The Forty-second Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Missouri met in St. Louis, April 23, 1907. The Grand Marshal and Steward were conspicuous by their absence. All other Grand Officers were present, supported by seven Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of ten Councils. Grand Master reported the usual large number of useless dispensations and thanked Arkansas for waiver of Jurisdiction in the case of ten brothers who desired to receive the degrees in Campbell Council No. 33. Illness had prevented his making many visits.

Much of his address is relative to the misunderstanding with former Grand Recorder Mayo, and the Grand Master's action in declaring null and void a demit issued to him by his Council. Possibly Grand Master was right, but there is room for a divergence of opinion, all of which causes us to remark:

We should draw the line of moral rectitude more closely in the case of a Mason than of any other man. He has received instructions and taken obligations that should bind him to the observance of the strictest honesty. That which may be excused in a profane should be severely punished in a Mason. There is not the slightest deviation in the plumb line which should mark our dealings with each other and with our fellowmen.

Grand Master's address was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who approved it and the approval was endorsed by the Grand

Council. Grand Council also voted hereafter to pay per diem and mileage to members.

Past Grand Master's jewels were ordered for the retiring Grand Master, and for four Ancient Past Grand Masters who had received none.

Comp. STEVENSON opens his second report on Fraternal Correspondence by saying that "the boiling down process necessary in preparing a report so toughens matters that no amount of condiments will make the dish palatable." He is evidently unacquainted with the French "pot au feu," which boils all the time and which, with a little salt and pepper pod, makes an appetizing dish. He promises to send all accumulated bricks to the dumps, which eased our mind, as it renders him unable to " 'eave 'arf a brick" at us. But at the very beginning of his report, under Arkansas, he hurled a whole broadside—wholes, halves and quarters. Now, for a little pleasantry. Last year, Comp. HEMPSTEAD wrote us a letter which took the skin off like a fly blister. We warrant that his reply to Comp. STEVENSON is written on asbestos. Worst of all, he prescribes a dose of physic for each of the 309 Arkansas Travellers. Later he throws bouquets at Grand Master and Grand Recorder, so we may consider the incident closed.

His review of California, 1906, is short, and could not well be otherwise, as we had just passed through the fire unto Moloch, and could hardly recognize ourselves.

We would like to appropriate his review of Illinois entire, for "them's our sentiments."

For a two-year-old he exhibits an unexpected hardihood in attacking the great ones. Keep your brick pile; you will need it for self defense. Some of the correspondents don't seem to know what a "crawdad hole" is. We once lived in Illinois and well remember the hole and the animal, but never heard it called exactly by that name.

Under Michigan he quotes the Grand Master, and the excerpt is worthy of being published in large print, and framed and hung up in every Masonic hall in the land: "All of Masonry is calculated to prepare the Eternal Ego for the unending hereafter, and its mysteries are a spur to the reception of the final instruction, wherein the great mystery is made comprehensible."

Under Tennessee, he acknowledges himself a kicker, and says he was born kicking.

Kickers and cranks are the salvation of the world. They keep it from perishing from dry rot. We commend this report to the consideration of R. & S. M's. in Missouri and other places.

Fifteen Councils, 1,477 members.

GEO. T. BURNHAM, Milan, Grand Master; R. F. STEVENSON, St. Louis, Grand Recorder.

NEBRASKA.

1907.

The Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Nebraska met at Omaha, December 11, 1907.

Present: All the Grand Officers, nine Past Grand Masters and the representatives of fifteen Councils.

Grand Master rejoiced that one only had been summoned from the members of Grand Council by the Supreme Grand Master, but that one was one who could least be spared, M. I. GEO. W. LININGER, California's Grand Representative, and one of the ablest and most active members of Grand Council. Two new Councils had been organized during the year, the last bearing the name of the departed Grand Master. Both of these Councils were organized by the Grand Master in person. Five dispensations were reported, one to install officers, the Council having failed to meet at the constitutional time. The others gave per mission to break the law by receiving petitions, balloting and conferring degrees on the same evening. Better repeal a law so often disregarded.

Grand Master decided that good standing in Lodge and Chapter is not necessary to continue in good standing in Council.

That may be good law in Nebraska, but we advise Comps. suspended in Lodge or Chapter not to try to visit in California, for they will not be admitted.

Grand Treasurer reported that every Council had paid its dues and that he had $1118.65 on hand.

A new code of law for the Grand Council was adopted. Tekamah Council was declared extinct.

A resolution was adopted providing for certificates in place of demits for Chapter-made Companions. Why? We heal a Chapter-made Comp. and enter his name as a member without any red tape.

The report on Correspondence, written by the various representatives, is an improvement on the last, but lacks the stamp of individuality. We can recognize the work of WARVELLE, GRANT and others, but a work of multiplex fraternity necessarily resembles the Irishman's pork —a streak of fat and a streak of lean. However, let the experiment go on. It may be a success. Our representative, Comp. WM. D. FLETCHER does up California in less than a page, which is probably more than we deserve.

Twenty-two Councils, 1,210 members.

JOHN E. SIMPSON, Omaha, Grand Master; FRANCIS E. WHITE, Omaha, Grand Recorder.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

1907.

A special session of this Grand Council was held in Derry, December 3, 1906, for the purpose of constituting Mt. Nebo Council No. 15. This was done in Ample Form, and the officers were installed by the Grand Master.

The Forty-sixth Annual Assembly convened at Concord, May 13, 1907.

The Grand Officers were all present except Grand Steward. Eight Past Grand Masters favored Grand Council with the light of their most illustrious countenances and fourteen Councils sent their representatives. Grand Master, after opening Grand Council in Ample Form, delivered his address. He refused all requests for dispensations, therein setting an example worthy of all imitation. If Grand Masters would refuse to set aside the laws, said laws would soon be changed to fit circumstances and there would be no need for dispensations.

All the Councils made returns.

In this Jurisdiction the duty of making visits is divided between the first three officers, and Grand Master stood third on the list. Grand Council, thinking, no doubt, that he had not had a fair show, re-elected him, and we shall expect to see him the first among his equals next year.

This Grand Council seems to be opposed to titles, as they ordered the words "Thrice Illustrious" stricken from the title of the presiding officer of a Council.

Now how shall we address him?

Does the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire eliminate the word "Worshipful" from the title of the Master?

Comp. J. E. Robins, Reviewer, sings his first song. He says "it has not been a task, but a delight," and he longs to see "the Ill. Comps. whose noble sentiments and spirit I have been drinking in." Come to Savannah next year. Some, if not more of us will be there, and though Georgia has gone dry we will find something to drink and to eat, and will have a good time generally. That is what the General Grand Council is for.

Comp. Robins is very modest, as becomes the successor to Broad Gauge Woodbury. After a couple of years, when he "gets the hang of the new schoolhouse," he will sling bricks as well as the oldest of us. Seriously, his is a good report, and it has some of the characteristics of a Review.

Fifteen Councils, 1,964 members.

Fred E. French, Concord, Grand Master; F. D. Woodbury, Concord, Grand Recorder.

NEW JERSEY.

1907.

The Forty-ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of New Jersey convened at Trenton, March 19, 1907.

Present: The Grand Officers, except Principal Conductor of the Works and Marshal. Twelve Past Grand Masters and the representatives of Four Councils.

Grand Master found very little to do and promptly did it. One dispensation only was granted, an example worthy of emulation. Both Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder reported a fair percentage of gain in their respective departments.

The several committees reported "all well along the line." Grand Officers were elected and Grand Council closed in Ample Form.

Comp. HIRAM E. DEATS writes the Correspondence report. California, 1906, is noticed. He predicts a good administration for Comp. WILLETT, and we can assure him that his reputation as a prophet suffered no loss. Comp. WILLETT went out in a blaze of glory.

This report coming to hand very late we find that we have noticed all the principal points under other headings.

Seven Councils, 722 members.

J. EDWARD BLACKMORE, Newark, Grand Master; JOHN B. BERTHOLF, Jersey City, Grand Recorder.

NEW YORK.

1907.

The Ninety-eighth Annual Assembly met in New York City August 27, 1907.

Present: The Grand Officers except Sentinel. Eleven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of Twenty-three Councils.

Grand Master reported a large number of dispensations and one decision, the latter being that only a bona fide residence is required as a qualification for the degrees, but that no term is specified. Grand Council ratified this decision, but the Committee on Laws thought a term of six months should be required. The recommendation went over to next year. The several Grand Officers reported their visits, which appear to have been enjoyable occasions, showing good progress. Grand Master made a large number of visits, and says he enjoyed them. It must have been beneficial to the Councils to receive his instructions. Grand Master and Grand Lecturer were re-elected, but declined the honor. Weary in well doing?

Comp. COBURN is the Reporter on Foreign Correspondence. The title is a chilly one, but the report is warm enough, and has no foreign

characteristics. Other names are signed, but we will wager that COBURN did the work. So good is his work that we would willingly appropriate the whole, but space forbids, and conscience might object.

Twenty-four Councils, 4,724 members.

WM. H. ANDREWS, New York, Grand Master; CHAS. T. LUNT, New York, Grand Recorder.

NORTH CAROLINA.

1907.

The Grand Council of North Carolina assembled for the Thirty-first time at Greensboro, May 15, 1907, Grand Conductor and Grand Sentinel being absent. Four Past Grand Masters appeared and seven Councils were represented.

Grand Master expressed himself truly thankful for a prosperous year, for evils avoided and blessings received. The only explanation he can give of the lack of interest in the Cryptic degrees is that they are not Prerequisite. He thinks that Grand Commanderies should have the privilege of requiring membership in a Council as a qualification for the orders of Knighthood. That would make a mix, indeed. No. Comp. NEAVE, the true reason is found in the apathy of the Council members themselves. A little personal prerequisition, which prevails in many places, is a good thing, but best of all is earnest work. Let no one receive the R. A. degree without having a petition placed in his hands and arguments placed before him showing that he does not and cannot fully understand that which he has already received until he advances toward the light in the Secret Vault. Then if he desires to assume the armor of the Templar he may be welcomed.

Grand Master reported a new Council at Kinston and the reorganization of Greensboro Council. Grand Treasurer showed that Grand Council was solvent and Grand Recorder reported 58 Comps. greeted, being an increase of twenty per cent.

Grand Council granted a charter to Kinston Council, restored the old charter to Greensboro Council, and issued duplicates to two Councils whose charters had been destroyed by fire. Re-elected Grand Officers and went home happy. Comp. SOUTHGATE again reviews the doings of Grand Councils. California, 1906, gets a good notice. We thank the Ill. Comp. for his sympathy and assure him that we are all right. We certainly were an "ill Comp." for a while, and that at a time when many duties were pressing, so Grand Council affairs had to yield. Comp. SOUTHGATE'S reviews are short, sweet and to the point. A careful reading of the same gives us no reasonable excuse for picking a quarrel or even heaving a brick.

Nine Councils, 341 members.

ERNEST B. NEAVE, Salisbury, Grand Master; JAMES C. MUNDS, Wilmington, Grand Recorder.

OHIO.

1907.

The Seventy-eighth Annual Assembly was held at Columbus, October 1, 1907.

Present: All Grand Officers, Eighteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of sixty-eight Councils.

Past Grand Master O. A. B. SENTER, on behalf of the Companions of Columbus, delivered an address of welcome and Past Grand Master NELSON WILLIAMS responded. A large number of Grand and Past Grand Officers of other Masonic bodies were present and in accordance with the brotherly custom of Ohio they were welcomed to seats in the East.

Grand Master then delivered his address, reviewing the work of the year. He had instituted or constituted (those words get mixed up) in regular form the four new Councils chartered by the last Grand Council, and installed their officers. A few dispensations were granted, two being to organize new Councils. The decisions of the Grand Master were all sustained by Grand Council. He did more than the usual amount of visiting, with pleasure to himself and profit to the craft. As Grand Council holds a considerable interest in the Masonic Home, a special committee makes an annual report, and a flourishing state of affairs was noted.

Grand Treasurer shows assets amounting to $79,559.51. No danger of immediate bankruptcy. A P. G. M. jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Master, and appropriate speeches were made by presenter and recipient.

Comp. NELSON WILLIAMS again writes the Correspondence Report. California, 1907, receives a good notice. We blush as we read it, his commendations are so undeserved. Our burned report, we are safe in saying, was our best. We never expect to equal it. "Concerning the cremated, speak only good." Ohio is so awful big that her huge volume of proceedings makes us hesitate, and like a mouse in a corn crib, we can only nibble a little here and there.

Speak of the election of Comp. FOSTER as Grand Master of Colorado he says "He left a salaried job to get there, but some of our Ohio boys lost their heads to get there and didn't." Whisper. What will you bet that Foster didn't do the work of both offices. He is now back at his "salaried job" and we don't believe he ever left it.

Under Connecticut, 1906, he says: "It strikes us that a Comp. like M. I. Comp. BARLOW, whose acquaintanceship extends from ocean to

ocean, would see the great social advantage of uniting with General Grand Council." That is the way we view it. We in California are very "sovereign" and "independent." It is doubtful whether we have a member, or a dollar more, on account of our membership in General Grand Council, but there is a charm in union—a contentment in marching in phalanx, and so long as General Grand Council is content with being a mutual admiration society, and does not try to rule us, we prefer to be with the crowd, and not flock by ourselves. Comp. WILLIAMS says that he is studying the wisdom of exposing himself to our knuckles, and is sorely tempted to do so. So far he has been able to refrain. We assure him that our fist is like that of Simon Legree, though not hardened by the same exercise. When it comes to Missouri he "drops into poetry," and intimates that a quartette composed of STEVENSON, WARVELLE, MORDHURST and himself, under the shade of the Anheuser Busch, would be unapproachable. Under South Carolina he remarks that while they have plenty of zeal in Ohio, they don't like to part with any of it, "for it is the easiest thing in the world to stand still or to go backward when the moving power is dead." Under Tennessee he strikes a problem which he confesses himself unable to solve.

Decaturville Council reported that they had conferred the degrees on eight, and had a membership of twelve. Now, while the constitution requires nine to form a Council, how could four confer the degrees, or if there were nine then eight degrees must have been conferred on three. If Comp. WILLIAMS had referred to the table of returns the mystery would have been solved. Decaturville Council had nine original members. They conferred the degrees upon eight, making seventeen. Four demitted and one died, leaving twelve. Is not that easy? Perhaps Comp. WILLIAMS holds to the idea that a Council U. D. cannot affiliate or demit members? Well, they do do it, and what is more, they occasionally go so far as to let one die. Before closing our review, we must quote what he says under Wisconsin:

"He (Comp. DREHER) don't like the Ohio method of having twenty-seven Comps. of the local Council meet the officers and members of the Grand Council in the lobby of the headquarters hotel and escort them to the meeting place.

"Well, now, you try it once and see how nicely it works. After our steaming coffee and hot waffles, saturated with 'lasses and oleomargarine, we congregate in the hotel lobby to enjoy our cigars, greet old friends, make new ones, and do a little electioneering for our esteemed friend and Comp., HIRAM ABIFF, whose natural qualifications eminently fit him, in our humble opinion, for the onerous dues of Grand Sentinel or some other Grand Something. Alas, poor Hiram does not always benefit by our efforts, but the fault is with the Grand Master who appoints, or with the Grand Council which elects.

"We then fall in behind our escort, and to the spirited (perhaps not spiritual) music of the band and with our badges, jewelry, etc., on exhibition, we march to the place of meeting and get busy. This may be making broad our phylacteries, which some of our ancient ancestors were criticised for doing, but it lets the people know that we are living, and does not interfere with either the character or amount of our Masonic labor."

All which is very well, but we prefer the "tiled recesses," and don't like to make a holy show of ourselves.

In his closing Comp. WILLIAMS says what every member of the Circle will coincide in: "Matters move along so smoothly . . . . that the Reviewer has to wear magnifying glasses to discover anything in the proceedings either to commend or criticise."

Sixty-eight Councils, 10,261 members.

MILTON B. DICKERSON, Marion, Grand Master; WM. E. EVANS, Chillicothe, Grand Recorder.

OREGON.

1907.

The Twenty-second Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Oregon met at Corvallis, April 10, 1907, Grand Marshal and Sentinel being the only absentees. Six Councils were represented and five Past Grand Masters rendered the occasion most illustrious.

Grand Master's address should be witty, as brevity is its distinguishing characteristic. He thinks Oregon a little better than any other State, and we will not quarrel with him as he is so near right—only one point out of the way. He hoped that the work of the year might eventuate in the organization of four new Councils. So mote it be. The Council degrees, in his opinion, are a great reservoir of Masonic knowledge, which is of great value to the craft, and beneficial to the world at large. We are hastening the day when men shall forge their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks—when the lion and the lamb shall lie down together, and sweet peace shall be triumphant throughout the earth. Again we say, so mote it be. In his opinion we ought not to insist on Prerequisition. The Templars would profit far more than we would, were they all to receive the Council degrees.

Grand Treasurer reported debts all paid and money on hand.

There is no report on Correspondence, each Grand Representative having been requested to report on his own Grand Council.

We wish a stenographer had taken down the reports so that we might compare the same with Nebraska, where a similar procedure prevails. Grand Recorder says that they "amply repaid the effort, and

gave all present an incentive still to work for the true advancement of the Order in Oregon."

We don't like the word "order" when applied to Freemasonry.

Six Councils, 413 members.

HORATIO H. PARKER, Portland, Grand Master; SETH L. POPE, Portland, Grand Recorder.

PENNSYLVANIA.

1907.

A special Assembly was held in Masonic Hall, Philadelphia, April 27, 1906, for the purpose of constituting Joppa Council No. 46. This was done by the Grand Master in Ample Form.

The Sixty-first Annual Assembly was held in the city of Erie January 15, 1907, all the Grand Officers being present, who, with the aid of nine Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of twenty Councils, opened the Grand Council in Ample Form. Letters were read from the Grand Masters of Ohio, New York and Maryland, regretting their inability to be present.

Grand Master gave an exhaustive resume of his manifold doings. He cannot be accused of idleness. He had visited nearly all the Councils and had granted a large number of dispensations to act on petitions without waiting the "usual" time. The usual time appears to be immediately. Why have a law that is only made to be broken?

Logansport Council No. 11, of Indiana, requested Mountain Council No. 9 to confer the S. E. degree upon a select Master of their Council, but Grand Master decided that "There is no law allowing the conferring of degrees on candidates who are made members of Councils in Foreign Jurisdictions." Is there any law forbidding it? It is the custom of all our Masonic bodies to confer degrees upon candidates, whether residents or not, whenever requested to do so by the body having jurisdiction over them, and we don't bother the Grand Master about it. In fact, it don't seem to be any of his business.

A leaflet on the Cryptic Rite, by Grand Recorder MARTENIS is injected into the Grand Master's address. Copies of this, we understand, were sent to members of the Cryptic Rite throughout the State. It contains much valuable information, but we discover nothing new on the vexed subject of the origin of the Rite. Grand Master's eye of faith beholds Councils at Reading, York and Hazton. As York is one of the stopping places when we cross the Rockies we would be glad to visit a Council there. We know that the Brethren and Companions there are good fellows, and a little more Masonic knowledge won't hurt them.

Deputy Grand Master and Grand P. C. W. reported peace and harmony, with a reasonable amount of prosperity. Reports of committees

showed all to be well, the outgoing Grand Master was jewelled, and everybody went home joyful.

Grand Recorder F. W. MARTENIS writes the report. He gives California, 1906, more than we deserve. Sympathy with us in our shake and fire. Speaking of the address of the Grand Master of Maine, he says: "It does not show much overwork." Few do. In conclusion he says: "The successful Council is the one that has Companions as officers willing to work, and do the work in such an attractive manner as to arouse the other Companions to follow their example."

Twenty-five Councils, 3,814 members.

CARL A. SUNDSTROM, Philadelphia, Grand Master; FRANK W. MARTENIS, South Bethlehem, Grand Recorder.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

1907.

The Forty-eighth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of South Carolina convened in the city of Charleston, February 12, 1907. All the elective Grand Officers were present, but those appointed thought home the better place. So far as we can ascertain, Grand Council consisted of fifteen members, representing five of the six Councils.

Fifteen men, good and true, are a force, and can accomplish much. God only required five to save a whole city from destruction.

Grand Master delivered an extemporaneous address which we give entire as reported by Grand Recorder Davis:

"He reported several dispensations granted, the chief one being one to institute a Council at Greenwood, which was in progress of organization, and would soon apply for a charter. He also expressed the hope that at an early day the Councils at Spartanburg, Laurens and Newberry would be resuscitated and resume their places in Grand Council. The Grand Master also paid a feeling tribute to the illustrious dead of other jurisdictions."

Grand Treasurer showed by his report that he was $10 to the good, which, according to Mr. Micawber, is enough to ensure happiness, but Grand Recorder reports receipts $10 less than amount paid to Grand Treasurer. Query: Did Grand Recorder fill the gap to promote happiness?

Grand Recorder also notes a net loss of three members. The committee on Grand Master's address reported that they were prepared to support whatever Grand Recorder might say that he remembered the Grand Master to have said. This shows a unanimity of sentiment which might be difficult to obtain in a larger body, which further exhibited itself in the unanimous re-election of the Grand Officers.

Seriously, we would like to see this Grand Council, which we have

had the honor to represent these twenty years, get right up and do something. South Carolina has produced many forceful men. Are there no Masons left of the stamp of the ancient worthy fire-eaters? Why, if you could only get Ben Tillman started, he would have a Council in every considerable village in less than two years. Some one remarked once about our own native State (Alabama) that it would be wise to raise more corn and less h——. More Masonry and less politics might be a good thing for the strong men of South Carolina.

Comp. Davis' Report on Correspondence improves each year. What a pity he didn't start twenty years ago. He would be now the Dean of the Circle.

Six Councils, 203 members.

Geo. S. Mower, Newberry, Grand Master; Zimmerman Davis, Charleston, Grand Recorder.

TENNESSEE.

1908.

On Monday, January 27, 1908, the Grand Council of Tennessee met in its Fifty-eighth Annual Assembly in the city of Nashville.

Of the Grand Officers only the Conductor of the Council failed to answer to his name. Twelve Past Grand Masters and the representatives of sixteen Councils completed the roll of membership.

Circumstances over which Grand Master had no control prevented the realization of his ideas of duty to be performed. Outside of his own Council he had made but one visit, but that one was enjoyed so much as to create a desire for more. Two Councils were constituted and their officers installed, but Grand Master was obliged to depute the performance of that pleasurable duty to others. He even could not persuade Nashville Council to confer the S. E. degree for the benefit of Grand Council. We are heartily sorry that he did not have that "good time" which all Grand Masters deserve.

After several years' tinkering at the question, a lengthy by-law was adopted concerning the conferring of degrees by Grand Council, which seems to cover the several points which have caused criticism, and we should judge that neither Grand or Subordinate Councils will have any grounds for complaint.

Two Councils under dispensation were continued for another year.

Comp. Flenniken opens his Correspondence Report with a quotation from an old darkey who remarked that "Tempus is a fugitating fast," which reminds us that it is about time to hand in our "copy" to the printer. He complains that a number of the Proceedings have failed to come to hand, thus preventing him from performing his whole duty.

And again we say, same here.

California, 1907, gets a full page of notice. He remarks the absence of Tennessee's representative, Comp. ORME. We missed him, but learned that ill health prevented his attendance. For many years he has been regular in his attendance at all Grand bodies, but he is not so young as he was fifty years ago, and lives 300 miles from San Francisco. He asks if Comp. WILLETT is a member of the Grand Chapter, and we are pleased to state that he is now our Grand High Priest, and in 1907 was Deputy. Why he reported Chapter visits to Grand Council we are unable to say.

Under Connecticut he asks: "If membership in the General Grand is good for other Jurisdictions, why not for Connecticut?" And echo answers, why? Under Kentucky he thinks it is about time that the law permitting action in petitions "instanter" should be repealed.

Why? That has been our law since the beginning, and we have never known any ill effect, and no one has ever complained. He criticizes the action of the Grand Master in communicating the S. E. degree to a Texas Comp., he being a Chapter-made R. & S. M., and never having been healed. It certainly looks irregular. Would Kentucky allow Texas Chapter-made Comps. to visit Councils?

Comp. FLENNIKEN keeps up his reputation and especially we wish to commend the Grand Recorder for his promptness in getting out the Proceedings. If all others would do as well we could have our report printed for the meeting of our Grand Council, and not have to hurry as we sometimes do.

Eighteen Councils, 802 members.

VERMONT.

1907.

On the 11th day of June, 1907, the Grand Council of Vermont met in its Fifty-fourth Annual Assembly in the City of Burlington. All of the Grand Officers answered to their names, seven Past Grand Masters showed their zeal by their attendance, and seventeen Councils were represented. Burlington Council must be sulking, as no representative was reported present, though Grand Council met in their own city. As Grand Master granted them two dispensations they must still be alive.

Grand Master reports three visits, others were made by the Deputy Grand Master and the P. C. of Works.

A page of dispensations was granted, as usual. Two Councils were awakened by rough shaking, and it is to be hoped that they will keep awake and do something. Grand Master thinks Councils should have dues of at least 50 cents per annum. What do they live on if they have no dues? We have a large Council, a good deal of work and $3 dues, and yet we are obliged to be economical.

Grand Recorder reports sixty-six additions, and sixty-five losses, a net gain of one. Rather a poor showing.

Article 10 of General Regulations was amended to provide for visitations by Grand Officers, and that the three degrees be exemplified at each visit. The Constitution is published in the Proceedings and is a model of brevity.

Comp. MARSH O. PERKINS writes the Correspondence Report. California, 1906, receives due notice. He thinks the liberty allowed our Councils of meeting in various places "decidedly objectionable" and that the material thus gathered will be neither "useful nor ornamental."

The proof of the pudding is in cleaning the dish, and the material added by a couple of excursions of our own Council is decidedly useful. Some of the Comps. thus added are among our most regular attendants, and some take part in the work. Within a radius of six miles we have five large chapters, and easy communication by electric cars. So what difference does it make in which hall we hold our meetings.

Under Indiana he challenges MORDHURST'S assertion that a Master becomes a Past Master immediately on installation, and claims that he must serve at least one entire term before being entitled to that distinction. Our Grand Lodge lately adopted MORDHURST'S view of the matter, which has always been our custom, but it also decided that no amount of service in any other Jurisdiction could entitle a Brother to the rank of Past Master in California.

Seventeen Councils, 1,320 members.

DAVID A. ELLIOTT, White River Junction, Grand Master; HENRY H. ROSS, Burlington, Grand Recorder.

WASHINGTON.

1907.

The Twelfth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Washington met at Tacoma, June 15, 1907. The Grand Officers were all present, together with ten Past Grand Masters and the representatives of all the seven Councils. Grand Master's listening ear caught a sound of prosperity in the air. Beside attending every meeting of his own Council, he had made two visits—at Tacoma and Everett, where he had the pleasure of meeting the Comps. and of witnessing good work. One dispensation was asked for. Everett Council desired to go to Snohomish and confer the degrees on a number of R. A. Companions. Grand Master was willing and issued the dispensation, hoping that a new Council would be conceived, but so far the mountain had not gone to Mohammed, and the dispensation was unused.

Grand Treasurer reported all debts paid and coin in the treasury. Grand Recorder showed a gain in membership of sixty-nine, just ten

per cent. Most of the committees reported "nothing doing," so Grand Council elected and installed its officers. Closed in Ample Form and went home happy.

Grand Recorder HARE writes the Correspondence Report, and he is an A No. 1 Reporter, but gives but few expressions of opinion. Like the rest of us, he wonders what business the Grand Council of Kentucky has to appoint Comp. GRANT a committee on the "doings of other Grand Chapters," and why a dispensation is necessary in Wisconsin to transact business at a stated meeting or to confer degrees at a special.

He closes by saying that he has "enjoyed the wailings of the calamity howlers, equally with the high flights of fancy by some of the Grand Masters and Correspondents, the supreme indifference and contentment of some have lulled me into a similar condition, while the strenuous life of others has made me at times weary with the exertion of trying to keep pace with them, yet I cannot but feel that we are all working to the same end, "the advancement of Cryptic Masonry."

Seven Councils, 690 members.

JAMES H. BEGG, Seattle, Grand Master; EDWARD R. HARE, Tacoma, Grand Recorder.

WISCONSIN.

1907.

The Grand Council of Wisconsin met in Annual Assembly in the city of Milwaukee, February 19, 1907.

Present: All the Grand Officers, seven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of thirteen councils.

In the opening of his address Grand Master gives a synopsis of the history of the Grand Council, by which it appears that although fifty years have elapsed since the birth, forty of those years were passed in a comatose condition, with only occasional signs of life. He hopes and prays for a better showing during the next half century. There is just one way to make this much-to-be-desired consummation certain, and that is expressed by the one word WORK.

At the last Assembly Grand Council amended the Constitution to read: The Super Excellent Degree must "be conferred with the dignity and decorum intended by the Ritual." Consequently Grand Master could not see his way clear to allow the degree to be communicated in order that a Council might form a team to work it in a constitutional manner. He therefore asked the Grand Council to devise a way out of the woods. The matter was passed over to the incoming Grand Officers.

Wisconsin and Kilbourn Councils are considering the question of consolidation and brought in a resolution concerning the matter, but the

Jurisprudence Committee decided that it was not properly before the Grand Council. Why two Councils, each with nearly 500 members, should wish to consolidate, we cannot imagine. Better divide into four Councils and then get busy.

Charters were granted to Superior and Delevan Councils, and the Super Excellent Ritual according to General Grand Council, was adopted.

A Board of Trustees appears to perform the duties of Finance Committee. They reported bills all paid and $778.85 in treasury.

Again Comp. JACOB DREHER submits the Correspondence report. In his opening he voices our sentiments exactly when he says: "We do not like the brass-band brand of Freemasonry." California receives a couple of pages of notice. Like some others he does not admire our peripatetic system and says: "Bad practice, likely to end in confusion." So far it has worked all right and has ended in some enjoyable times, and a number of zealous brethren have been added to our numbers. He criticizes the watchword of the Grand Master of Illinois: "All R. A. Masons should be R. & S. Masters," saying, "There are R. A. Masons who should not be advanced another step." There are *members of Chapters* who should be advanced backwards, clear out of the back door of the Blue Lodge. But if a man is really a Royal Arch Mason, nothing is too good for him.

Twenty-three Councils, 2,344 members.

R. B. LANG, Racine, Grand Master; WM. W. PERRY, Milwaukee, Grand Recorder.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES B. MERRITT,

Committee.

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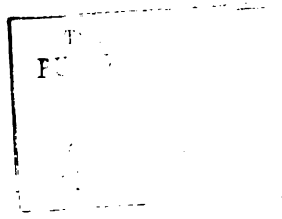

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TRANSACTIONS

OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL.

OF

Royal and Select Masters

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

AT ITS

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

HELD AT

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CHRONOLOGY

The ordinary calendar or vulgar era is not generally used by Freemasons in dating their official documents. They have one peculiar to themselves, differing according to their various rites. The Masons in all parts of the world working in the York and French rites add 4000 years to the Christian era, calling it Anno Lucis—Year of Light; abbreviated A.˙.L.˙., thus the year 1909 would be A.˙.L.˙., 5909. (This fact has a symbolic reference, not because they believe Freemasonry is, but that the principles and light of the institution are, coeval with the creation.)

Masons practicing in the Ancient and Accepted rite use the Jewish Calendar, which adds 3760 years to the vulgar era, styled Anno Mundi —A.˙.M.˙.—year of the world. Or they sometimes use the Hebrew Year, which begins on the 17th of September, or 1st of Tisri, using the initials A.˙.H.˙.—Anno Hebraico—Hebrew Year.

Royal Arch Masons date from the building of the second Temple—530 B. C. Their style is therefore Anno Inventionis—A.˙.Inv.˙.—in the year of the Discovery. The year 1909 would be A.˙. Inv.˙. 2439.

Royal and Select Masters should date from the completion of Solomon's Temple, which would add 1000 to the Christian era. Their style is Anno Depositionis—A.˙.Dep.˙.—in the year of the Deposit. The year 1909 would be A.˙.Dep.˙. 2909.

Knights Templar date from the organization of the Order—1118. Their style is therefore Anno Ordinis—A.˙.O.˙.—in the year of the Order. The year 1909 would be A.˙.O.˙. 791.

Those of the rite of Mizraim add four years to the usual computation of the age of the world; thus the year 1909 would stand A.˙.L.˙. 5913.

Masons of the York rite begin the year on the first of January; but in the French rite it commences on the first of March.

GENERAL GRAND OFFICERS

OF THE

General Grand Council

OF THE

UNITED STATES

1906-1909

HENRY C. LARRABEE, Baltimore, Md.....*General Grand Master*

GRAFF M. ACKLIN, Toledo, Ohio.....*General Grand Deputy Master*

JOHN ALBERT BLAKE, Boston, Mass..*General Grand Principal Conductor*

CHARLES H. HEATON, Montpelier, Vt.....*General Grand Treasurer*

HENRY W. MORDHURST, Ft. Wayne, Ind.....*General Grand Recorder*

R. PERRY BUSH, Boston..... *General Grand Chaplain*

EDWARD W. WELLINGTON, Ellsworth, Kan.....
.....*General Grand Captain of Guard*

GEORGE A. NEWELL, Medina, N. Y.....
.....*General Grand Conductor of Council*

WILLIAM F. CLEVELAND, Harlan, Iowa.....*General Grand Marshal*

FAY HEMPSTEAD, Little Rock, Ark.....*General Grand Steward*

J. T. KIMBALL, Boston..... .....*General Grand Sentinel*

The Tenth Triennial Assembly will be held in Savannah, Georgia, commencing Monday, November 8, 1909.

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

of California

Officers Elected and Appointed at the Annual Assembly April 19th, A. D. 1909, A. Dep. 2909

*M.·.I.·.*WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY (1) GRAND MASTER .....716 *L Street, Sacramento*

*R.·.I.·.*THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD (17) DEPUTY GRAND MASTER .....*Santa Cruz*

*R.·.I.·.*BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT (16) GRAND PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR OF WORK..... 9 *East Main Street, Alhambra*

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*R.·.I.·.*HENRY ASCROFT (2) GRAND LECTURER..... *Golden Gate Commandery Bldg.,* 2135 *Sutter St., Phone West* 73

*R.·.I.·.*JOSEPH ABNER COURTER (1) GRAND CAPTAIN OF GUARD..... *Sacramento*

*R.·.I.·.*THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT (2) GRAND CONDUCTOR OF COUNCIL.....*Redwood City*

*R.·.I.·.*CHARLES SHERMAN ANDERSON (11) GRAND STEWARD...*Money Order Department, Main Post Office, 7th and Grand Avenue*.....*Los Angeles*

ILL.·.SAMUEL DAVID MAYER (2) GRAND ORGANIST..... .....2336 *Steiner Street, San Francisco*

ILL.·.GEORGE WASHINGTON PERKINS (2) GRAND SENTINEL.....*Care of Wells Fargo and Co., San Francisco*

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

*M.·.I.·.*JAMES BESTOR MERRITT, 305 *Fourteenth Street, Oakland.*

The Fiftieth Annual Assembly of this Grand Council will be held in the City of San Francisco, on Monday, April 18th, A. D., 1910, Anno Dep. 2910, at 10 o'clock A. M.

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California, assembled in Golden Gate Commandery Hall, San Francisco, Monday, April 19th, A. D. 1909, Anno Dep., 2909, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Grand Master, Most Illustrious Companion William Henry Gaynor, called the Companions to order and directed the Grand Recorder to call the roll.

At the conclusion of the roll call Companions Thomas A. Davies, William Preston Butcher and Alfred Hercules Rainville were appointed a Committee on Credentials, and after a short recess, reported as present and entitled to seats, the following members:

GRAND OFFICERS.

*M.·.I.·.*WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR, *Grand Master.*

*R.·.I.·.*THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, *Grand Principal Conductor of Work.*

*R.·.I.·.*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand Treasurer.*

*R.·.I.·.*THOMAS ABRAHAM DAVIES, *Grand Recorder.*

*R.·.I.·.*JAMES BESTOR MERRITT, *Grand Chaplain.*

*R.·.I.·.*HENRY ASCROFT, *Grand Lecturer.*

*R.·.I.·.*BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT, *Grand Captain of Guard.*

*R.·.I.·.*JOSEPH ABNER COURTER, *Grand Conductor of Council.*

*R.·.I.·.*THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT, *Grand Steward.*

ILL.·.SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, *Grand Organist.*

ILL.·.GEORGE WASHINGTON PERKINS, *Grand Sentinel.*

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

Most Illustrious Companions:

WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES
FREDERICK FERDINAND BARSS
HENRY SAYRE ORME
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY
CHARLES LORD FIELD
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT
W. FRANK PIERCE
GEORGE PENLINGTON
HENRY ASCROFT
JOHN GOULD BISBEE
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON

Representing SACRAMENTO COUNCIL No. 1—

JOHN MCINDEOR, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companions—

WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.
JAMES ELLSWORTH THOMPSON.
DANIEL HYMAN.
JOSEPH ABNER COURTER.

Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL No. 2—

THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON, *Principal Conductor of Work.*

Companions—

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.
CHARLES LORD FIELD.
HENRY ASCROFT.
GEORGE PENLINGTON.

Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

SONORA COUNCIL No. 5—

JAMES HENRIKSEN, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
ALFRED HERCULES RAINVILLE, *Principal Conductor of Work.*

Companion—

JAMES HENRIKSEN, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*

SHASTA COUNCIL No. 6—

Companion—

ISRAEL JOSEPH JOHNSON, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master and Representative of the Council.*

STOCKTON COUNCIL No. 10—

Companions—

WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES.
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL No. 11—

EDWARD BYRON SPENCER, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companions—

HENRY SAYRE ORME.
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR.
WILLIAM EDWARD CHAMBERLAIN.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

OAKLAND COUNCIL No. 12.—

JOHN ANDREW SANSOM, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companions—

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.
W. FRANK PIERCE.
EDWIN ALLEN SHERMAN
CHARLES FRANK THOMAS.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

GATEWAY COUNCIL No. 13—

JOHN GOULD BISBEE, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master and Representative of the Council.*

SANTA ANA COUNCIL No. 14—

EMANUEL HENRY LUXTON, *Principal Conductor of Work.*

VENTURA COUNCIL No. 15—

DAVID JOHN REESE, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
WILLIAM EDWARD READY, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*

PASADENA COUNCIL No. 16—

Companions—
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT.
BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL No. 17—

Companions—
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, *Past Thrice Illustrious Master.*
EDWARD SWIFT WEST, *Representative of the Council.*

SANTA BARBARA COUNCIL No. 19—

WILLIAM PRESTON BUTCHER, *Deputy Illustrious Master and Proxy for the Thrice Illustrious Master.*

SAN JOSE COUNCIL, U. D.—

Companions—
CHARLES BERTIE GLEASON, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
ZIBEON ORISON FIELD, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*
SANFORD LORD BACON, *Principal Conductor of Work.*
Delegates.

POMONA COUNCIL, U. D.—

Companion—
THOMAS BENTON FREDENDALL.
Delegate.

OROVILLE COUNCIL, U. D.—

HARRY JACOBY, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
Companion—
CHARLES FAYETTE LOTT.
Delegates.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS NEAR THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA.

Illustrious Companions—

W. Frank Pierce ..... Arkansas
Frederick Ferdinand Barss ..... Connecticut
Henry Ascroft ..... Kansas
Charles Joseph Willett ..... Kentucky
Charles Lord Field ..... Maine and New York
Charles Willis Norton ..... Maryland
Franklin Henry Day ..... Massachusetts
Wiliam Monroe Petrie ..... Michigan
John Gould Bisbee ..... Minnesota
George Penlington ..... Missouri
Edward Richards Hedges ..... New Hampshire and Pennsylvania
William Henry Gaynor ..... New Jersey
Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt ..... Oregon
James Bestor Merritt ..... South Carolina
Henry Sayre Orme ..... Tennessee, Florida and Texas
William Abraham Davies ..... Vermont
Thompson Wilson Drullard ..... Wisconsin

RECAPITULATION.

All the Grand Officers except the Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master.

Fourteen Past Grand Masters.

Seventeen Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions.

The Officers or Representatives of thirteen chartered Councils and Delegates from the three Councils under dispensation.

COUNCILS NOT REPRESENTED.

Marysville Council, No. 3; Helena Council, No. 9; Fresno Council, No. 18.

The report was approved and ordered placed of record.

There being a sufficient representation present, the Grand Council was opened in Ample Form, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain and a selection by the Grand Organist.

Past Grand Master, M.:.I.:.Charles Willis Norton was requested to fill the station of Deputy Grand Master during the session. Upon assuming the station he announced that the

absence of the Deputy Grand Master was due to a severe illness, and suggested that the Grand Recorder telegraph R.:I.:. Wm. Ohmer Girardey the sympathy of the officers and members of Grand Council and their earnest wishes for his speedy recovery. It was so ordered.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

The Grand Representatives present were cordially welcomed by the M.:I.:Grand Master, accorded the Grand Honors, and invited to seats in the East. Companions William Monroe Petrie, Dr. Henry Sayre Orme, Edward Richards Hedges, Franklin Henry Day, Henry Ascroft, James Bestor Merritt, Charles Joseph Willett, and Edward Swift West responded on behalf of the several Grand Jurisdictions which they represent. Peace and harmony prevail and the Cryptic Rite is prospering.

A written report was submitted by Companion David Wlademer Lubeck, Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Washington, showing a membership for that Grand Jurisdiction of 767, a gain for the year of 77.

Reports were also presented and read by the Grand Recorder, from the Grand Representatives of this Grand Council near the Grand Jurisdictions of Illinois, Maryland and Minnesota attesting the flourishing condition of the Order in those localities and conveying their "personal compliments and sincere good wishes," also the "fraternal greetings" of their several jurisdictions to all California Companions.

The several Committees were then named by the M.:I.:. Grand Master and announced by the Grand Recorder.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Reports of Grand Officers—

Companions—

BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT.
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.
EDWARD BYRON SPENCER.

Jurisprudence—

Companions—

W. Frank Pierce.
Charles Willis Norton.
Henry Sayre Orme.

Appeals and Grievances—

Companions—

Edward Swift West.
Israel Joseph Johnson.
Charles Bertie Gleason.

Finance and Returns—

Companions—

Henry Ascroft.
James Bestor Merritt.
Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt.

New Councils—

Companions—

Thompson Wilson Drullard.
Charles Joseph Willett.
David John Reese.

Necrology—

Companions—

William Abraham Davies.
Franklin Henry Day.
George Penlington.

The reading of the minutes of the last annual assembly was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof.

The M∴I∴Grand Master then delivered his Address, which received the hearty approval of the Companions present.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Companions of the Grand Council of California:

After another year of unremitting toil we gather in this, our Forty-ninth Assembly, to review the work of the past year, and to consult as to the best plans for the future of our beloved Rite.

The year just passed has been one of much activity and renewed interest in Cryptic Masonry. Our Subordinate Councils have shown increased enthusiasm; some that have been inactive for several years have taken on new life, and have become more zealous in their efforts to develop a stronger faith in the pure principles of our Order. Peace and harmony reign throughout the jurisdiction, and prosperity has attended nearly all our Councils. The membership shows an increase of 230 for the year, true and select men, and a total membership in good standing of about 2,355. Three new Councils have been added to our list: San Jose Council, U. D., at San Jose; Pomona Council, U. D., at Pomona, and Oroville Council, U. D., at Oroville, the last named being established on the 15th of March of this year. Our relations with other Grand Councils are most cordial and friendly.

Truly grateful for the many blessing which have been extended to us through the will of divine Providence, and for the pleasure which is afforded us today in this reunion of old friends, and the opportunity of forming new acquaintances, we may well congratulate ourselves on our present prosperity, and on our bright hopes for the future. We have reason, also, for gratitude that our official circle has not been broken by the call from our midst of any of our Illustrious Companions.

OUR FRATERNAL DEAD.

"There is no death! The stars go down
To rise upon some other shore,
And bright in heaven's jeweled crown
They shine for evermore."

While most of us have not yet reached the crest of the Divide, as have many of our aged and venerable Patriarchs, where the evening shades are gathering about their pathway, as they slowly but surely descend the sundown side of human life, yet we also are traveling that same pathway, and ere long will reach the end of the journey, and look upon our last sunset. We sincerely sympathize with our Sister Jurisdictions in the loss of some of their most worthy and distinguished Companions, and bow in sorrow over the departure from our own Jurisdiction of forty-three Illustrious Companions, among whom were two Thrice Illustrious Masters, Companions Mayer A. Marcuse of Marysville Council, No. 3, and Thomas Henry Slator of Sonora Coun-

cil, No. 5, and Most Illustrious Jacob Hart Neff, Past Grand Master, who died on Friday, March 26th, 1909. To the Committee on Necrology will be assigned the duty of paying suitable tribute to the memory of these Illustrious Companions; but I must be permitted, without intrusion upon their prerogatives, to lay my sprig of acacia on the bier of Companion Neff, and to pay my humble tribute to his memory, with sorrowful regret that we shall here see his face no more, yet with a feeling of joy in the fact that I knew him, honored him, loved him, and was privileged with his friendship. His 58 years of residence in California, his activity in civil and political life, his interest in and devotion to Masonry, made him widely and well known. Honors came to him easily and were worthily worn, in State offices and in the various Masonic Grand Bodies, to the head of each of which save the Grand Lodge he was advanced, and honored every position of trust. He was a typical, genial, true-hearted gentleman of the old school, broad-minded, generous, warm-hearted, affable, true to his friends and courteous to all. His light is extinguished, his column is broken, and his brethren mourn.

"No one hears the door that opens
When they pass beyond our call;
Soft as loosened leaves of roses
One by one our loved ones fall."

Peace be to their ashes, and rest to their souls!

I recommend that suitable memorial pages be set apart in our Proceedings to commemorate these Illustrious Companions.

NEW COUNCILS CONSTITUTED.

At the last session of this Grand Council a charter was granted to Santa Barbara Council, and soon thereafter I went to Santa Barbara, and was there joined by Companion Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer, and on the 16th of May constituted said Council and installed the officers. The Companions of Santa Barbara Council are enthusiastic, and I am confident that time will demonstrate the wisdom of this charter, and that this will prove one of our most active bodies in the Jurisdiction. After the close of the Council we were served with refreshments, and the spirit of fraternity prevailed in the speeches.

VISITATIONS.

November 23d, 1908, I visited Los Angeles Council, No. 11. The work was the conferring of the Royal and Select Masters' degrees on 19 Companions by the Thrice Illustrious Master, D. R. Weller, and the Super Excellent Master's degree on 38 Companions by Past Thrice

Illustrious Master, Charles S. Anderson, assisted by the officers of the Council. The work was ably and satisfactorily done, the attendance was large, and the spirit of true hospitality and good feeling prevailed.

November 30th I visited Sacramento Council, No. 1, accompanied by Companion Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer. The work of the evening was the conferring of the Royal and Select Masters' degrees upon eight Companions, and the Super-Excellent Master's degree upon thirteen candidates, which was done by our Grand Lecturer, assisted by the officers of the Council. The following Illustrious Companions were present: W. O. Girardey, Deputy Grand Master; William Monroe Petrie, and William H. Davis, Past Grand Masters; and Joseph A. Courter, Grand Conductor of the Grand Council. The work was ably done, and the officers of this Grand Council were very cordially received and welcomed.

December 2nd I visited California Council, No. 2, San Francisco. The following Illustrious Companions were present: Grand Lecturer Henry Ascroft; Franklin H. Day and George Penlington, Past Grand Masters, and Thomas O. Heydenfeldt, Grand Steward. The work of the evening was the conferring of the Royal and Select Masters' degrees on three Companions, by Companion Thomas O. Heydenfeldt, and the Super-Excellent Master's degree on the same number by the Thrice Illustrious Master, Henry Ascroft. The Companions displayed considerable enthusiasm, and the spirit of true fraternity prevailed in all the speeches during the social hour.

December 3rd I visited Stockton Council, No. 10. The work of the evening was the conferring of the Royal and Select Masters' degrees on a class of three Companions, by Past Grand Master Norton, who is Thrice Illustrious Master of the Council. The work was done in an efficient and creditable manner and deserves commendation; after enjoying refreshments and a social hour, I came away feeling that Stockton, No. 10, has among its members some of the most enthusiastic Cryptic Masons in the Jurisdiction.

December 4th I visited Sonora Council, No. 5. This being their annual assembly, and not having any candidates, at the close of the business we had a rehearsal, and I found the Companions to be quite proficient in the work of the degrees. They had received no petitions for some months past, but had kept well up in the work, and I was assured by the Thrice Illustrious Master that they would have candidates in the near future, and he hoped for increased activity in Cryptic Masonry.

December 5th I visited Gateway Council, No. 13, accompanied by Grand Lecturer Ascroft, and witnessed the conferring of the Royal, Select and Super-Excellent degrees by our Grand Lecturer, assisted

by the officers of the Council, on a class of seven Companions. There was quite a large number of Companions in attendance, and among them Past Grand Master John G. Bisbee, who is a member of this Council. This was a very enjoyable occasion, as our Companions of Gateway are good entertainers, and very hospitable. The work of the Grand Lecturer was, as all would expect, of a high order.

December 8th, accompanied by Grand Lecturer Ascroft, I visited Fresno Council, No. 18. This being the annual assembly of the Council, and there being no candidates, we did what we could to revive the Council from the lethargy that had prevailed; it appearing from their minutes that this meeting was the only one that they had been able to hold in the past year. The Companions present seemed to be zealous, but there appeared to be a lack of interest among the members generally. The Companions promised to endeavor to revive the interest and activity of their Council. The election of officers was held, after which I installed the Thrice Illustrious Master, Wiley James Tinnin, and advised him to install the other officers of the Council as soon as convenient, and that the installation be public, and an effort made to secure the attendance of all Royal Arch Masons, hoping that the result might be beneficial to the Council.

February 8th, by invitation, I visited Pomona Council, U. D., and invited Companion Willis M. Dixon, Past Thrice Illustrious Master, of Los Angeles Council, No. 11, to accompany me, as I had been requested by the Thrice Illustrious Master to assist them in conferring the degrees. This being their first meeting under authorized dispensation, the work of the evening was the conferring of the Royal Master's degree by Companion Garthside, Thrice Illustrious Master, on a class of nineteen Companions, and the Select Master's degree by myself on the same number, assisted by Companion Dixon and the officers of the Council. Our Companions of Pomona Council are very enthusiastic, and I am confident that they will have an active and prosperous future.

February 27th, 1909, I visited Ventura Council, No. 15. This was a special meeting, called for my reception, although they had no work. The officers rehearsed the work of the degrees, and, by request, I gave them some instructions. They hope that their Council may be more prosperous in the future, and from what I could learn they will be able to show a better record in the coming months.

March 1st, by invitation, I visited Marysville Council, No. 3, accompanied by Grand Lecturer Ascroft. The work of the evening was the conferring the Royal and Select Masters' degrees on twelve Companions by myself, and the Super-Excellent Master's degree on the same number by the Grand Lecturer, assisted by the officers of the Council. We

were informed that this was the first class that had received the degrees in the Council for several years. While the officers of the Council were not familiar enough with the work to confer the degrees satisfactorily, they are willing, and will no doubt render a better account of themselves in the future. During the social hour many of the Companions expressed themselves as willing to take hold of the affairs of the Council and carry them forward to a successful termination.

March 2d, 1909, I visited San Jose Council, U. D. The work was the conferring the Royal and Select Masters' degrees by Companion Charles B. Gleason, Thrice Illustrious Master, assisted by the officers. This is one of our youngest Councils; the officers did the work ably and correctly, and I have no doubt it will prove to be one of our vigorous Councils. Refreshments were served, and during the hour that was spent in social intercourse many enthusiastic talks were given by members of the Council.

March 3d, 1909, I visited Santa Cruz Council, No. 17, the work of the evening being the conferring the Royal and Select Masters' degrees on two candidates by Thrice Illustrious Master William Hugus Keck. I was most cordially welcomed by Illustrious Companion Keck, and Companion Thompson Wilson Drullard, Grand Principal Conductor of the work of the Grand Council. The work was done in an efficient manner, and I take great pleasure in the fact that Santa Cruz Council, the home of our Grand Principal Conductor, is a very zealous and active body of Cryptic Masons.

March 8th, 1909, I officially visited Pomona Council, U. D., and witnessed the conferring the Royal Master's degree by the Thrice Illustrious Master, Companion J. R. Garthside. The conferring of the Select Master's degree was done by myself, assisted by the officers of the Council. The Companions of Pomona Council are deserving of much commendation for the efficiency with which they performed their work. I take pleasure in commending them to the Grand Council.

March 9th, I visited Pasadena Council, No. 16, where I was privileged to meet Past Grand Master C. J. Willett and Companion B. B. Cartwright, Grand Captain of the Guard of the Grand Council. There being no work we enjoyed very interesting talks given by Companion Willett and other members of the Council. A spirit of true fraternity prevailed in all the speeches, which followed an excellent banquet.

March 13th, 1909, I visited Santa Barbara Council, No. 19. I witnessed the conferring the Royal and Select Masters' degrees by Thrice Illustrious Master Albert Perham Hardy, assisted by the officers of the Council, on two Companions. The work was done in a very efficient manner. Santa Barbara Council is very enthusiastic, and possesses the true spirit of Cryptic Masonry.

March 16th, 1909, I visited Santa Ana Council, No. 14. As they had no candidates, they proceeded to exemplify the Cryptic degrees, which was done to my entire satisfaction. These Companions are very earnest and zealous workers, and I have no doubt as to their future success and prosperity as a Council. I was most courteously received by the Companions. The social hour was spent very pleasantly, and I enjoyed the event very much indeed.

On February 16th, 1909, I addressed a communication to Albert Frederick Ross, Thrice Illustrious Master of Shasta Council, requesting information regarding the condition of the Council, and if they had held their stated Assemblies regularly during the year. In his reply he informed me that there had been a revival of interest in the Council, that they had elected Companion Adolphus Bystle as Thrice Illustrious Master, and that he had taken hold of the Council with much interest, and at their Assembly in February they conferred the degrees of Royal and Select Master on a class of 18 Companions, and expected several more petitions at their next Assembly. Owing to delays in correspondence and later to the unsettled condition of the weather I was unable to visit Shasta Council, but I confidently look for a good report from them at this General Assembly.

I was also in correspondence with Companion C. F. Thomas, Thrice Illustrious Master of Oakland Council, No. 12, but was unable to arrange a date that would be convenient to visit their Council, although on my visit to California Council, No. 2, I invited the officers and members of Oakland Council to be present on that occasion.

On February 16th, 1909, I sent a communication to Companion Joseph J. Hindson, T. I. M. of Helena Council, No. 9, Helena, Montana. Receiving no reply, I again addressed a letter to them on March 31st, to which I have not received an answer. I can but hope that they have made their Annual Returns to our Grand Recorder. This, I believe, concludes the record of my official duties relative to visitations of Councils.

DISPENSATIONS.

On July 25th, 1908, I granted a dispensation to ten Royal and Select Masters to form and open a Council at San Jose, to be called San Jose Council, they having secured the recommendation of Santa Cruz Council, No. 17.

September 17th, 1908, I issued Special Dispensation to Grand Lecturer Henry Ascroft, Thrice Illustrious Master of California Council, No. 2, granting permission to ballot on petitions of Companions Oscar L. Brockman, George L. Darling and John M. Robertson, and if elected, to confer on them the Cryptic degrees; and also confer the degrees on Jeremiah J. Wilson, who had been previously elected to receive them

at a regular meeting of California Council, No. 2. This meeting was held in the hall of Stockton Council, No. 10, the occasion being a fraternal visit paid by California Council to Stockton Council, No. 10.

December 15th, 1908, I issued a dispensation to Stockton Council, No. 10, to elect officers at other than the statutory time.

December 14th, 1908, I issued a dispensation to nine Royal and Select Masters at Pomona, Calif., to form and open a Council at that place, to be called Pomona Council, they having received the recommendation of Los Angeles Council, No. 11.

December 26th, 1908, I issued a dispensation to Shasta Council, No. 6, to elect officers at other than the statutory time.

March 15th, 1909, I issued a dispensation to nine Royal and Select Masters to form and open a Council at Oroville to be called Oroville Council; their petition was granted upon the recommendation of Marysville Council, No. 3.

April 12th, 1909, I issued dispensation to California Council, No. 2, to hold a Special Assembly Monday evening, April 19th, 1909, for the purpose of receiving and balloting on petitions, conferring degrees, granting dimits, and performing such other duties as might be required, the purpose of such Assembly being to exemplify the degrees before the members of this Grand Council.

The work of the new Councils, U. D., appears to me to be in every way worthy, and I trust that the Committee on New Councils may find their reports so complete and satisfactory that they can recommend the issuance of charters.

BY-LAWS.

On November 5th, 1908, I approved the By-Laws of San Jose Council, U. D., they having adopted the uniform code.

On January 7th, 1909, I approved amendment to By-Laws of Marysville Council, No. 3, fixing fees for the degrees at $10.00, and the annual dues at $1.00.

February 16th, 1909, I approved the By-Laws of Pomona Council, U. D., they having adopted the uniform code.

April 12th, 1909, I approved the By-Laws of Oroville Council, U. D., they having adopted the uniform code.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

I have issued Commissions to the following Illustrious Companions as Grand Representatives of this Grand Council near other Grand Councils:

Illustrious Companion Morris S. Smoker, Merchantville, New Jersey.

Illustrious Companion James Snedden, Wichita, Kansas.

Illustrious Companion Edwin E. Morris, Kansas City, Missouri.

Illustrious Companion Lewis C. Massey, Orlando, Florida.
Illustrious-Companion William F. Buchanan, Hastings, Nebraska.
Illustrious Companion P. M. Riley, Grand View, Texas.

SUPER-EXCELLENT DEGREE.

I find that but few of our Councils confer the Super-Excellent degree on their members, and that a large number of our Companions have never received the degree. In one instance I have learned of a Thrice Illustrious Master, who had served his Council several years as such, who had not received this degree. This ought not so to be; it is an injustice to those who have paid for, and are entitled to, instruction in all the work of Cryptic Masonry. I recommend that this Grand Council make it obligatory upon every Thrice Illustrious Master to see that the degree of Super-Excellent Master is conferred in his Council at least twice a year; and I also recommend an amendment to the General Regulations of this Grand Council to the effect that no Companion shall be eligible to any office in a Subordinate Council who has not received the Super-Excellent degree.

CONCLUSION.

And now, Companions, the record of my official acts is before you for your consideration, and I trust will meet your approval. As I look back over the year it appears to me to be filled with much pleasure and some disappointment. Pleasure and gratification which I am unable to express, of having been thought worthy to fill the highest office in your gift to bestow; disappointment that I have been unable to accomplish as much good, while occupying this exalted station, as I desired to do.

I sincerely appreciate the opportunity afforded me of mingling with the Companions, whom I have learned to love and esteem. I desire to express my gratitude to my associate officers for the kindness and courtesy which have been extended to me from every source, and especially I wish to thank most heartily our Grand Lecturer, Companion Henry Ascroft, for the helpful assistance which he has given me, and for his counsel and advice, which he is so eminently qualified to give in respect to all matters pertaining to Cryptic Masonry.

To our Grand Recorder, Companion Thomas A. Davies, I offer sincere thanks, and do most highly appreciate the advice and information which he has ever been so prompt and willing to give.

My visitations to the various Councils were occasions of much pleasure, alike from the hospitality enjoyed, and from the goodly fellowship of Companions who accompanied me, and of those whose guests we were, whose acts of kindness gave evidence of their loyalty to the Grand Council and to its Grand Officers.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. HENRY GAYNOR, Grand Master.

On motion duly seconded the address was referred by the Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master to the Committee on Reports of Grand Officers.

The reports of the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer were then read and referred to the Committee on Finance and Returns.

GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California:—

Your Grand Recorder herewith presents his report of the work for the year ending with the present Annual Assembly.

As soon as practicable, after the close of our last session, the Journal of Proceedings of the Forty-eighth Assembly was published and distributed, as prescribed by the Grand Council Constitution.

"In Memoriams" have been received from other Grand Jurisdictions conveying the sad tidings of the passing away of several Illustrious Companions. While we assembled here, in profound sorrow, must drop the sprig of acacia in memory of our friend and Companion, Past Grand Master Jacob Hart Neff. He lived a loyal Mason, a devoted friend, and a Christian gentleman.

The Committee on Necrology will prepare a fitting tribute to the memory of the Illustrious Dead.

Dispensations have been issued and three new Councils instituted at San Jose, Pomona and Oroville, which give every promise of developing into live working bodies that will prove a credit to Cryptic Masonry.

The Special Dispensations issued, Grand Representatives appointed, By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws approved, have been fully reported by our Most Illustrious Grand Master in his address.

Commissions have been received appointing Grand Representatives near the Grand Council of California, and delivered to the following Illustrious Companions:—

To Wm. Henry Gaynor of Los Angeles, from New Jersey.

To Charles Willis Norton of Stockton, from Maryland.

To Wm. Ohmer Girardey of Sacramento, from Rhode Island.

To Thompson Wilson Drullard of Santa Cruz, from Wisconsin.

To Dr. Henry Sayre Orme of Los Angeles, from Florida and Texas.

Of the $165 in the Grand Council Relief Fund, reported at our last Assembly, $100 has been expended for relief, leaving a balance of $65.00 in that fund.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence, M. Ill. Companion James Bestor Merritt, is in the hands of the printer and will be published with the proceedings.

A summary of the Annual Reports shows 19 working Councils, 2355 Royal and Select Masters on our roster, and a gain for the year of 230.

FINANCES.

The receipts for the office have been:

For Fees and Dues	$1454 50
New Council Dispensations	45 00
Charter Fees	20 00
Special Dispensations	10 00
Unexpended portion visitation expenses, Gr. Master Norton	31 93
Fees for Degrees conferred at San Jose and Oroville	180 00
Gen. Grand Council Rituals	22 50
Total	$1763 93

All of which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer.

Interest on Deposits reported by Grand Treasurer	94 91
Total Receipts of Grand Council for the year	$1858 84

There has also been received from M. Ill. Companion Wm. Henry Gaynor, the following statement of his visitation expenses for the past year, showing an unexpended balance of $5.20, which will be returned to the Grand Treasurer and appear on the Grand Recorder's report of receipts for the coming year.

Los Angeles, California, April 3rd, 1909.

Mr. Thos. A. Davies, Grand Recorder, G. C. R. & S. M., San Francisco, California.

Illustrious Companion:—

I herewith hand you statement of my official expenses during the past year.

W. H. Gaynor, Grand Master, in account with the Grand Council, R. & S. Masters of California.

April 16th, 08, R. R. fare R. T., Los Angeles to Santa Barbara constituting Santa Barbara Council, No. 19	$ 4 50
Meals	50
Nov. 28th and 29th, 08, R. R. Ticket Los Angeles to San Francisco	14 00

Pullman	2 50
Hotel and Meals	4 50
Nov. 30, 08, R. R. Fare R. T. from San Francisco to Sacramento	5 00
Meals	1 50
Dec. 1st and 2nd, 08, Hotel and Meals at San Francisco	6 00
Dec. 3rd, 08, R. R. Ticket San Francisco to Stockton	2 35
Meals	40
Dec. 4th, 08, R. R. Ticket Stockton to Sonora	3 75
Meals	75
Dec. 5th, 08, R. R. Ticket Sonora to Auburn	6 30
Dec. 6th and 7th, Hotel and Meals at San Francisco	5 00
Dec. 8th, 08, R. R. Ticket San Francisco to Fresno	5 70
Meals	70
Dec. 8th, R. R. Ticket Fresno to Los Angeles	8 30
Pullman	2 00
Meal	1 00
Feby. 27th and 28th, 09, R. R. Ticket Los Angeles to Ventura	2 25
Feby. 27th and 28th, 09, R. R. Ticket Ventura to San Francisco	11 75
Pullman	2 50
Hotel and Meals	3 50
March 1st, 09, R. R. Ticket San Francisco to Marysville	3 80
Pullman	50
Meal	50
March 2nd, 09, Ticket Marysville to San Francisco	3 80
Meals	1 50
March 2nd, 09, San Francisco to San Jose	1 50
March 2nd and 3rd, 09, Hotel and Meals	4 00
March 2nd and 3rd, 09, R. R. Ticket San Jose to Santa Cruz	2 50
March 4th, 09, Hotel and Meals	4 40
March 4th, 09, R. R. Ticket Santa Cruz to Los Angeles	11 90
Pullman	1 90
Feby. 8th, 09, R. R. Ticket R. T. Los Angeles to Pomona	3 10
Meals	50
March 8th, 09, R. R. Ticket R. T. Los Angeles to Pomona	1 60
Hotel and Meals	1 50
March 9th, 09, P. E. Carfare R. T. Los Angeles to Pasadena	35
March 13th, 09, R. R. Ticket R. T. Los Angeles to Sta. Barbara	3 60
Hotel and Meals	2 25
March 16th, 09, P. E. Carfare Los Angeles to Santa Ana	1 00
Meal	25
Total	$144 80

The year now drawing to a close has proven the most prosperous financially, as well as showing the greatest increase in membership, of

any in the history of Cryptic Masonry in California; and the thanks of this Grand Council are certainly due and should be extended in all sincerity to our M. Ill Grand Master and Illustrious Companion Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer, for the work accomplished by them and the efficient manner in which they have performed the duties of their respective offices.

Long may they be spared us and happiness and prosperity ever be their portion.

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. DAVIES,

Grand Recorder.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the M.·.Ill.·.Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of California:

The undersigned respectfully submits the following statement of receipts and disbursements of the Grand Treasurer since the last Annual Assembly.

FRANKLIN H. DAY, GRAND TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND COUNCIL, R. AND S. M., OF CALIFORNIA.

1908.				
April	20	To balance cash on hand		$3253 75
Sept.	5	Received from Grand Recorder	$ 50 00	
1909				
Feb.	1	Received from Grand Recorder	210 00	
Feb.	10	Received from Grand Recorder	159 50	
Feb.	13	Received from Grand Recorder	53 00	
Feb.	16	Received from Grand Recorder	135 50	
Feb.	20	Received from Grand Recorder	200 50	
Mch.	8	Received from Grand Recorder	343 50	
Mch.	9	Received from Grand Recorder	83 00	
Mch.	13	Received from Grand Recorder	49 55	
Apl.	8	Received from Grand Recorder	479 38	
				$1763 93
1908				
June	30	Dividend S. F. Savings Union	$47 89	
Dec.	31	Dividend S. F. Savings Union	47 02	
				$94 91
		Total receipts including bal. of April 20, '08		$5112 59

Paid—

Samuel D. Mayer, services as Grand Organist.....	$7 50
George W. Perkins, services as Grand Sentinel....	7.50
Golden Gate Commandery Co., rent of hall for 48th Annual Assembly	30 00
Moise-Klinkner Co., rubber stamp	1 00
George W. Ellis, engrossing charter for Santa Barbara Council	1 00
Thomas A. Davies, postage stamps for office Grand Recorder	20 00
Henry Ascroft, appropriation, expenses of Grand Lecturer	60 20
James B. Merritt, report on correspondence.....	50 00
Cunningham, Curtis & Welch, sundry office supplies to March 31, 1909	11 27
J. E. Parmalee, lunch for Grand Council, April 20, '08	35 00
Shannon-Conmy Printing Co., sundry printing to Feb. 17, 1909	40 00
John R. Hillman & Son, premium on insurance, Grand Council paraphernalia and office furniture.....	14 60
Commercial Art Co., 500 half-tone prints P. G. M. Charles W. Norton, and 500 prints of jewel for same	24 15
French Savings Bank, rent of offices for past year..	110 00
Charles M. Plum & Co., carpet for offices.....	32 19
Rucker-Fuller Desk Co., furniture for offices.....	52 68
John Schmid, shelving in office, to order.....	3 50
R. Bujannoff, for testimonial to P. G. M. Charles W. Norton	50 00
Johnson & Cleal, lettering office door and window..	8 20
Thomas A. Davies, expenses of Grand Lecturer, Grand Recorder, and T. O. Heydenfeldt, July 25th and 26th, in organizing San Jose Council	25 25
William A. Davies, expenses attending removal of office to San Francisco	6 95
R. E. Revalk & Co., Grand Council proportion of Underwood typewriter	10 00
Dick Steel Safe Cabinet Co., steel safe cabinet, No. 53	17 00
Thomas A. Davies, Grand Council dues to General Grand Council	42 50
William H. Gaynor, appropriation for visitations of Grand Master	150 00
Walter N. Brunt Co., printing and binding proceedings, 1908	265 00

Walter N. Brunt Co., printing Grand Council Installation Ceremonies	24 00	
Thomas A. Davies, for General Grand Council rituals	25 00	
Thomas A. Davies, salary Grand Recorder to April 1, 1909	125 00	
Thomas A. Davies, expenses Grand Lecturer, Grand Recorder and Grand Steward, in instituting Oroville Council, March 15, 1909	42 50	
Thomas A. Davies, sundry office expenses from April 2, 1908, to March 3, 1909	7 62	
Total disbursements		$1299 61
Balance on hand, April 19, 1909		$3812 98

(On deposit in San Francisco Savings Union.)

FRANKLIN H. DAY,
Grand Treasurer.

The following report was then presented and read by the Grand Lecturer:

GRAND LECTURER'S REPORT

April 19th, 1909.

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, of the State of California:

ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANIONS:—It is with great pleasure I report renewed activity in Cryptic Circles during the past year. Marysville Council, No. 3, and Shasta, No. 6, reported last year as dormant, have awakened from that deplorable condition, and, I trust, are now enlisted among the active working Councils.

Three new Councils have been organized, viz: San Jose, Pomona, and Oroville.

SANTA BARBARA COUNCIL, No. 19.

May 16th, 1908, accompanied by our Most Illustrious Grand Master, Companion William Henry Gaynor, constituted Santa Barbara Council, No. 19, R. & S. M. Thrice Illustrious Master, Companion Albert Perham Hardy, is ably supported by an enthusiastic and energetic corps of officers, who will, no doubt, render a good account of their stewardship in due time.

Hotel expenses at Santa Barbara were defrayed by the Companions of Santa Barbara Council.

of my visits. Kindly permit me to avail myself of the present opportunity to express to the Companions my full appreciation and gratitude for the courtesies received.

Sacramento and return	$ 5 00
Fresno and return, including hotel	18 75
Postage and telegrams	1 75
	$25 50

HENRY ASCROFT,
Grand Lecturer.

The report was concurred in, the issue and publication of the "Ritual" and "Installation Ceremonies" approved, and Companion Ascroft tendered the sincere thanks of Grand Council for his zealous work in its behalf and his unselfish devotion to Cryptic Masonry as evidenced by the results of his labors among our California Councils.

The M.:.I.:.Grand Master announced that as the noon hour had arrived and luncheon had been prepared in the banquet hall he extended an invitation to the members and visiting Companions to proceed at once to a discussion of the same.

Grand Council called off until 1:30 P. M.

IN GRAND COUNCIL.

GOLDEN GATE COMMANDERY HALL.

April 19th, 1909.

Afternoon Session, 1:30 o'clock.

The Grand Council was called on; the M.:.I.:.Grand Master presiding.

The Committee on Reports of Grand Officers submitted the following report:—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORTS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

To the Grand Council, R. and S. M., of California:

Your Committee on Reports of Grand Officers respectfully report that we have had the same under consideration, and most heartily commend the excellent character of the work performed by the Grand Master in the performance of his several official duties.

We recommend that so much of the report as pertains to our fraternal dead be referred to your Committee on Necrology.

That so much as pertains to new Councils be referred to your Committee on New Councils.

That the recommendation of the Grand Master on the Work of the Super-Excellent degree, and his action as to the approval of By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws of Councils, be referred to your Committee on Jurisprudence.

We recommend that all other portions of the Address be approved.

We congratulate the Grand Jurisdiction upon the exceptional ability displayed in the conduct of the office of Grand Master the past fiscal year. With wholesome cordiality, zealous fraternalism and wisdom in judgment he has won the hearts of all who met him in his official visitations, and has built up a new and added interest in Cryptic Masonry in the several Councils of this Grand Jurisdiction.

We therefore recommend that the thanks of this Grand Council be extended to the Most Illustrious William Henry Gaynor by a rising vote.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT,
JOHN GOULD BISBEE,
EDWARD BYRON SPENCER,
Committee.

The report was concurred in, the references made as recommended by the Committee, and the thanks of Grand Council extended to the M.:.I.:.Wm. Henry Gaynor for the ability and zeal displayed by him in the conduct of the office of Grand Master, by a rising vote.

Past Grand Master, Companion W. Frank Pierce, Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, read the report of that Committee:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

To the Grand Council, R. & S. M., of California:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence having carefully considered the several matters referred to them, respectfully report:

The following By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws conform in

every respect to the requirements of the Constitution and Regulations of Grand Council, and we recommend their approval.

The Uniform Code of By-Laws as adopted by San Jose, Pomona, and Oroville Councils, U. D.

The Amendments to the By-Laws of Marysville Council, No. 3, fixing the fee for the degrees and the amount of annual dues; and of Gateway Council, No. 13, changing the date of its stated Assembly to the third Tuesday in each month.

Your Committee concur in the recommendation of the M.'.I.'.Grand Master, relative to work in the Super-Excellent degree; we submit the following General Regulation No. 2, and recommend its adoption:—"That a Companion Royal and Select Master shall not be permitted to sign the By-Laws until he has received the Super-Excellent degree."

The Grand Council Constitution and Regulations appear to be silent as to what constitutes a quorum in Grand Council. Your Committee therefore submit the following amendments, and recommend their adoption:

Amend Article IV of the Grand Council Constitution by adding thereto Section 2; said Section 2 to read as follows:—

"There must be at least five (5) Chartered Councils represented in order to transact any business in the Grand Council, either at an annual or special Assembly."

Amend Rule 1 of the Rules of Order of the Grand Council by striking out in the second line thereof the words "and if there be a quorum present" and substituting therefor the words, "and if there be present the Representatives of five Chartered Councils, entitled to vote therein," so that Rule 1, when so amended, shall read:—

Rule 1. "When the Grand Council has assembled, the Grand Recorder shall call the roll, and if there be present the Representatives of five Chartered Councils, entitled to vote therein, the Grand Council shall be opened."

Respectfully submitted,

W. FRANK PIERCE,
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON,
HENRY SAYRE ORME,
Committee.

The report was concurred in, the By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws approved, and General Regulation No. 2, the Constitutional Amendment, and the Amendment to the Rules of Order, severally and unanimously adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Companion Edward Swift West, Chairman of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, reported that although he, together with Companions Johnson and Gleason, had been searching diligently for a grievance of some kind since the opening of Grand Council, that up to the present time their efforts were of no avail. Peace and harmony were in the ascendant, with apparently no chance for a disturbance of any kind.

The Committee was congratulated on its inability to locate trouble, the M∴I∴Grand Master expressing a wish that future committees meet with like success in that respect.

The Committee on New Councils reported as follows:—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW COUNCILS.

To the Grand Council, R. & S. M., of California:

Your Committee on New Councils have made an examination of the records of the Councils under dispensation, located at San Jose, Pomona, and Oroville, and find the same correct; and all of said Councils working in accordance with the Laws and Regulations of this Grand Council. We recommend that their several petitions be granted and that Charters be issued to them under the following names and numbers, to-wit: San Jose Council, No. 20; Pomona Council, No. 21, and Oroville Council, No. 22.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD,
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT,
DAVID JOHN REESE,
Committee.

The report was concurred in and the Charters ordered issued under the names and numbers recommended by the Committee.

RITUALS.

On motion of Companion Edward Swift West, duly seconded, the combined Ritual and Monitor compiled by Compan-

ion Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer, was adopted as the work of this Grand Jurisdiction; the price fixed at one ($1.00) dollar per copy, the books ordered numbered, and a record kept of their issue and by whom purchased.

The report of the Committee on Finance and Returns was then read, adopted, and the appropriations ordered made as recommended by the Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND RETURNS.

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council of California:

Your Committee has examined the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder, and find them correctly kept in accordance with the regulations of the Grand Council.

The cash balance of $3,812.98, as reported by the Grand Treasurer, is on deposit with the San Francisco Savings Union.

We recommend the following appropriations to cover the expenses of the Grand Council for the ensuing year:

For printing journal of the present Assembly	$200 00
For expenses of Grand Master's visitations	150 00
For Grand Recorder's salary	125 00
For contingent expenses of Grand Recorder's office	50 00
For insurance premiums	12 00
For rent of Grand Recorder's office	120 00
For Chairman of Committee on Correspondence	50 00
For rent of hall, 49th Annual Assembly	30 00
For Lunch	50 00
For testimonial to P. G. M. William H. Gaynor	50 00
For services of Grand Organist	7 50
For services of Grand Sentinel	7 50
For special fund for re-printing Proceedings	500 00
For expenses of Grand Lecturer (already incurred)	25 50
Total	$1,377 50

We have before us a detailed statement of the expenses of the Grand Master, showing a balance of $5.20, which he has returned to the Grand Recorder.

Your Committee has also made a careful examination of the annual

reports of the Councils working under the Jurisdiction of this Grand Body, and find that all have made complete and correct returns, accompanied by the Grand Council dues, for the year ending January 31st, 1909.

The toal amount received for Grand Council dues, as shown by the returns, $1,454.50, we find to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. O. HEYDENFELDT,
HENRY ASCROFT.
JAMES B. MERRITT,
Committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

On motion of Past Grand Master Wm. Monroe Petrie Grand Council proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year. Companions Edward Swift West, Charles Joseph Willett and Edward Byron Spencer were named as tellers, the election held, and the following officers chosen to fill the stations for the year ending with the Fiftieth Annual Assembly.

M.·.I.·.WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY, Grand Master.

R.·.I.·.THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, Deputy Grand Master.

R.·.I.·.BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT, Grand Principal Conductor of Work.

R.·.I.·.FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, Grand Treasurer.

R.·.I.·.THOMAS ABRAHAM DAVIES, Grand Recorder.

The tellers received the thanks of Grand Council and were dismissed.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The following named Companions were then duly installed in their respective offices, to serve the Grand Council for the ensuing Cryptic year, and due proclamation thereof made by the Grand Marshal, M.·.I.·.Charles Willis Norton:

R.·.I.·.THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, Deputy Grand Master.

R.·.I.·.BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT, Grand Principal Conductor of Work.

R.·.I.·.Franklin Henry Day, Grand Treasurer.
R.·.I.·.Thomas Abraham Davies, Grand Recorder.
R.·.I.·.James Bestor Merritt, Grand Chaplain.
R.·.I.·.Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer.
R.·.I.·.Joseph Abner Courter, Grand Captain of Guard.
R.·.I.·.Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt, Grand Conductor of Council.
Ill.·.Samuel David Mayer, Grand Organist.
Ill.·.George Washington Perkins, Grand Sentinel.

On motion of M.·.I.·.Companion, Henry Sayre Orme, it was ordered that the Grand Master elect be installed in his home Council, Sacramento, No. 1, with as little delay as possible. Past Grand Master Wm. Monroe Petrie was courteously requested to act as installing officer on that occasion.

On behalf of Grand Council and as a testimonial to the conscientious and able manner in which he had conducted the affairs of the office of Grand Master during the term about to expire, M.·.I.·.Companion Gaynor was presented with a beautiful Past Grand Master's Jewel. The presentation was made by Past Grand Master, Companion Franklin Henry Day, in his own inimitable way, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

At its conclusion, on motion of Companion Thompson Wilson Drullard, seconded by Companion Edward Swift West, it was ordered that Companion Day be requested to reduce his remarks to writing for publication in the Journal of Proceedings.

The thanks of Grand Council were tendered Companion Franklin Dalton, Superintendent of the Golden Gate Commandery Building, and assistants, for courteous treatment and the excellent lunch served.

The Grand Lecturer announced that the exemplification of the Work would take place in Golden Gate Commandery Hall, commencing at 8:30 P. M. by California Council, No. 2.

That all present, including visiting Companions, were cordially invited to attend, and also to remain and participate in the banquet to be served at the conclusion of the initiatory ceremonies.

No further business appearing the minutes were read and approved, and Grand Council closed in Ample Form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

A true copy of the Proceedings of the Forty-ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters held in Golden Gate Commandery Hall, San Francisco, April 19th, 1909.

Witness my signature, with the seal of our Grand Council, and the attestation thereunto of our Grand Recorder.

W. O. Grundy

Grand Master.

Attest:

Thos. A. Davies

Grand Recorder.

ADDENDA

EXEMPLIFICATION OF WORK.

The Work in the Degrees of Royal Master, Select Master, and Super-Excellent Master, was exemplified by California Council, No. 2, at Golden Gate Commandery Hall, Monday evening, April 19th, commencing at 8:30 o'clock. The work was voted a credit to the Council. The ceremonies were followed by a banquet, and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed by those present.

PRESENTATION OF TESTIMONIAL.

During the evening Companion George Penlington, Past Grand Master, and Past Master of California Council, No. 2, was made the recipient of a beautiful Jewel presented by Companion Franklin Henry Day, in recognition of past services and as a slight token of the love and esteem of the officers and members of California Council.

APPOINTMENTS OF GRAND MASTER.

M.·.I.·.Wm. Ohmer Girardey.

Grand Steward:—Th.·.Ill.·.CHARLES SHERMAN ANDERSON, Los Angeles. To be installed in his home Council, Los Angeles, No. 11.

Committee on Correspondence:—M.·.Ill.·.JAMES BESTOR MERRITT, Oakland.

APPENDICES

I. Amendments.

II. In Memoriam.

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AMENDMENTS

Amendment to the Constitution

Adopted April 19, 1909.

Amend Article IV of the Grand Council Constitution by adding thereto Section 2; said Section 2 to read as follows:—

"SEC. 2. There must be at least five (5) Chartered Councils represented in order to transact any business in the Grand Council, either at an annual or special assembly."

Amendment to Rules of Order

Adopted April 19, 1909.

Amend Rule 1 so as to read:—

"RULE 1. When the Grand Council has assembled, the Grand Recorder shall call the roll, and if there be present the representatives of five (5) Chartered Councils, entitled to vote therein, the Grand Council shall be opened."

General Regulation No. 2

Adopted April 19, 1909.

"That a Companion Royal and Select Master shall not be permitted to sign the By-Laws until he has received the Super-Excellent degree."

Necrology

"For none return from those quiet shores,
Who cross with the boatman pale,
Who hear the dip of the golden oars,
And catch a glimpse of the snowy sail;
And lo! they have passed from our yearning hearts,
They cross the stream and are gone for aye;
We may not sunder the veil apart,
That hides from our vision the gates of day;
We only know that their barks no more
Sail with us o'er life's stormy sea;
Yet somewhere, I know, on the unseen shore,
They watch, and beckon, and wait for me."

Most Illustrious Companion

Jacob Hart Neff

Past Grand Master

Born, October 13, 1830.
Died, March 26, 1909.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California:—

Death has come to us suddenly and unheralded. A leader has fallen—not a leader in the sense of one with authority and power to execute his will, but a leader whose faith was founded in the tenets of Freemasonry and the practice of its virtues.

Our friend and Most Illustrious Companion JACOB HART NEFF has passed to the great beyond. He had been ill for a week, but it was not expected, although he was nearly 79 years of age, that the indisposition would cause his death; but the heart failed and the end came suddenly, when the friends about him thought his recovery was but a matter of a few days' nursing.

His thousands of friends throughout the State, particularly in Placer and Nevada Counties, will join in mourning his death.

Our Most Illustrious Companion was born in Strassburg, Pennsylvania, October 13, 1830. When but a lad the family moved to Iowa, and it was from Burlington, after having learned the blacksmith's trade, that he followed the trails across the plains for California in April, 1850.

In August of that year he arrived at Placerville, then known as "Hangtown," on foot and hungry. He went from there to Greenwood Valley, El Dorado County, and later to Iowa Hill in Placer County and engaged in mining until 1863, when he went to Illinoistown to construct a toll road between Colfax and Grass Valley; and later he conducted a merchandise store at Dutch Flat.

His sober judgment was eagerly sought in times of trial and his word was unquestioned. The miners of the State demonstrated their affection for him by electing him President of the "Miners' Association" in 1892, and for six consecutive years he was re-elected.

His Masonic career began in Wisconsin Hill Lodge, No. 74, in September, 1856, and he filled the several stations in that

organization. He was a Charter Member, Secretary, and Master of Ionic Lodge, No. 121, which he aided in establishing in 1859. He affiliated with Eureka Lodge, No. 16, at Auburn in 1869.

He received the Capitular Degrees in Libanus Chapter, No. 17, at Iowa Hill in 1856, and served as High Priest for four years.

He assisted in the organization of Siloam Chapter, No. 37, at Colfax in 1869, and was its High Priest for seven years.

He was Vice-President of the Convention of High Priests of California for many years and until his death.

He received the degrees of Royal and Select Master in Sacramento Council, No. 1, in 1861; was one of seven Companions to form and open Gateway Council, No. 13, in 1896, and chosen the first Thrice Illustrious Master of the new Council.

He was Knighted in Nevada Commandery, No. 6, in 1866, and was made Commander thereof in 1878.

He received the 32d degree of the Scottish Rite in 1882.

In the Grand Bodies of Masonry in California our Companion has filled the following stations: Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge in 1875, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter in 1872, Grand Master of the Grand Council in 1900, and Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery in 1892.

He was Grand Chancellor of the Grand Consistory, A. and A. Scottish Rite, in 1890.

Probably no Companion whose name is borne on the roll of Grand Council will be so greatly missed and so universally regretted. As man and as Mason he was beloved by all among the fraternity and will be best remembered for his zeal and fidelity in the cause of Masonry. As a Brother, Companion and Sir Knight, he was modest, earnest and true-hearted, his honor was never impeached or questioned, and we may write without fear of contradiction, that the Grand Bodies of Masonry in California have lost a devoted friend and faithful officer.

We tender our heartfelt sympathy to the relatives and friends of our departed Companion, and commit them to the care of Him, who doeth all things well.

"They're passing away, these dear old friends—
Like a leaf on the current cast;
With never a break in the rapid flow,
We watch them as one by one they go
Into the beautiful past."

And again, we must drop our sprig of Acacia, in memory of the beloved Companions who have passed to the joys and glories of the Supreme Master's Lodge, since the writing of our last report. On the mourning pages of the annual returns of our Councils are inscribed the names of four Past Officers and thirty-eight Royal and Select Masters.

Past Officers.

MEYER A. MARCUSE, P. T. I. M., Marysville Council, No. 3, March 7, 1908.

THOMAS HENRY SLATOR, D. I. M., Sonora Council, No. 5, September 17, 1908.

HENRY EPHRAIM ROBBINS, C. of Gd., Stockton Council, No. 10, June 15, 1908.

FLAVEL GAYLORD HICKOX, Steward, Stockton Council, No. 10, September 2, 1908.

Royal and Select Masters.

Sacramento Council, No. 1.

HENRY CLAY BELL.....July 30, 1908
MICHAEL THOMAS COPPERSMITH.....May 16, 1908
GEORGE ERNEST AUGUST DIERSSEN.....February 11, 1908
MARVIN ALONZO KETCHAM.....December 8, 1908
AUGUST MEISTER .....January 17, 1909
WILLIAM FREDERICK PETERSON.....May 16, 1908
WILLIAM FREDERICK WIARD.....July 9, 1908

California Council, No. 2.

THOMAS HENRY DAY.....January 12, 1909
MAX GOLDMAN.....November 21, 1908
ALONZO HALLETT.....April 24, 1908
SAMUEL CHESTER HAMMOND.....September 23, 1908
HENRY BENNETT MADISON.....June 13, 1908
EDWARD JACKSON NILES.....September 8, 1908
WARREN RITCH PAYNE.....July 29, 1908

Marysville Council, No. 3.

SIMON HOCHSTADTER.....March 29, 1908

Sonora Council, No. 5.

ARTHUR GUSTAVE MADSON.....March 10, 1908

Stockton Council, No. 10.

GILBERT BURNET CLAIBORNE.....December 21, 1908
RICHARD LETCHER PETERSON.....February 12, 1908
WILLIAM GRANT PHIPPS.....January 17, 1909

Los Angeles Council, No. 11.

HENRY GLASS.....November 28, 1908
DAVIS GOTTHELF.....April 27, 1908
WILLIAM THOMAS JEFFRIES.....September 30, 1908
PAUL OSCAR KOERTING.....March 30, 1908
WILLIAM HENDRICKS LEDGERWOOD.....September 1, 1908
JOHN BONEWITZ ROHRER.....July 14, 1908
FERDINAND KENNETT RULE.....April 15, 1908
WALTER EVERETT SERVOSS.....July 8, 1908
BENJAMIN NATHANIEL SMITH.....May 9, 1908
WILLIAM EDWARD THOMPSON.....September 18, 1908
OTIS HORTON WESTCOTT.....June 3, 1908
WILLIAM COLFAX WHITMAN.....December 13, 1908

Oakland Council, No. 12.

ADAM FRANCIS GUNN.....August 26, 1908
GEORGE HENRY PAYNE.....January 16, 1909
HIRAM SINCLAIR TUTTLE.....June 18, 1908

Gateway Council, No. 13.

ROBERT WILLIAM ROBERTS.....June 3, 1908
ALFRED LOVELL SMITH.....July 2, 1908

Pasadena Council, No. 16.

JOHN MARTIN SMITH.....September 16, 1908

Fresno Council, No. 18.

EDWIN REED GRAHAM.....April 14, 1908

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Other Grand Jurisdictions of the Cryptic Rite have suffered equally with our own. A number of Illustrious Companions, Grand and Past Grand Officers, have answered the final summons; they have gone from among us and we shall know them here no more. Peace be unto the departed and may the Divine Architect have them ever in his keeping. To the following Grand Councils and the friends and acquaintances of their deceased Companions we tender our sincere sympathy:

Connecticut—Most Puissant JAMES L. GOULD, Past Grand Master, January 26, 1909.

Illinois—Right Illustrious GILBERT WORDSWORTH BARNARD, Grand Recorder, June 19, 1908.

Indiana—Most Illustrious SIMON STEVENS JOHNSON, Past Grand Master, January 19, 1909.

Most Illustrious MARTIN H. RICE, Past Grand Master, and Grand Treasurer 1884-1908, August 3, 1908.

Iowa—Most Illustrious HERBERT CHURCH SHADBOLT, Past Grand Master, December 9, 1908.

Maryland—Right Illustrious CHARLES McDONALD, JR., Grand Principal Conductor of Work, September 11, 1908.

Michigan—Most Illustrious HUGH McCURDY, Past Grand Master, July 16, 1908.

Most Illustrious JAMES H. CUMMINS, Past Grand Master, October 29, 1908.

Missouri—Most Illustrious MARTIN COLLINS, Past Grand Master, May 25, 1908.

Most Illustrious PEMBROOK R. FLITCRAFT, Past Grand Master, June 17, 1908.

Nebraska—Most Illustrious HENRY A. TURTON, Past Grand Master, December 10, 1908.

Ohio—Most Illustrious EDWIN MORRELL, Past Grand Master, January 18, 1909.

Oregon—Most Illustrious JOHN D. IRVINE, Past Grand Master, September 22, 1908.

Pennsylvania—Most Puissant JAMES SHALLCROSS BARBER, Past Grand Master, April 1, 1908.

Most Puissant WILLIAM THOMAS CORSON, Past Grand Master, March 16, 1909.

Washington—Most Illustrious CARMI DIBBLE, Past Grand Master, January 28, 1908.

Right Illustrious WILLIAM M. ROSS, Deputy Grand Master, April 16, 1908.

"They were Freemasons, not that they might receive, but that they might give. With them it was always more blessed to give than to receive. The best they had they gave to Freemasonry; Freemasonry gave her best to them. Let us cherish the memory of our beloved dead as the most precious heritage that one generation can bequeath to the next.

"'Heimgang!' So the German people
  Whisper when they hear the bell
Tolling from some gray old steeple
  Death's familiar tale to tell;
When they hear the organ dirges
  Swelling out from chapel dome,
And the singers chanting surges
  'Heimgang!' He is going home.

"'Heimgang!' Quaint and tender saying
  In the grand old German tongue,
That hath shaped Melancthon's praying,
  And the hymns that Luther sung;
Blessed is our loving Maker
  That where'er our feet shall roam,
Still we journey toward 'God's Acre'—
  'Heimgang!' Always going home!

"'Heimgang!' We are all so weary,
  And the willows as they wave,
Softly sighing, sweetly dreary,
  Woo us to the tranquil grave.
When the golden pitcher's broken,
  With its dregs and with its foam,
And the tender words are spoken,
  'Heimgang!' We are all going home."

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. DAVIES,

Grand Recorder.

RETURNS OF COUNCILS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

Grand Council of California

A. D. 1909, A. Dep. 2909.

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL, NO. 1.

SACRAMENTO, SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, last Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

John McIndeor, *T. I. M.*
August Frederick Lehrman, *D. I. M.*
Richard Alderson, *P. C. W.*
William Monroe Petrie, *Treasurer.*
James Ellsworth Thompson, *Recorder.*
Cordon Lewis Pardee, *C. G.*
William Hewson Davis, *Cond.*
James Merrill James, *Steward.*
Cephas Charles Olney, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Monroe Petrie, *P. G. M.*
William Hewson Davis, *P. G. M.*
Harry Ingham
Richard Vaughan
Richard Palmer Burr
Alexander John Gardiner
David Farr
Louis Cyrus Schindler
Charles Richard Goss
James Ellsworth Thompson
George Dunn
Daniel Hyman
Thomas Joseph Hesson
Theodore Jones Milliken
William Ohmer Girardey
Egbert Alfred Brown
John Abner Courter
James Francis Lyon

SELECT MASTERS.

Alexander, Robert
Alltucker, Henry
Anderson, Joseph Maurice
Baker, Alfred Septimus
Baldwin, William Hedges
Bassett, William Walter
Bassett, George Combs
Bates, Hugh Roland

Baughman, Noble Henry
Baughman, Wm. Elias John
Bittencourt, Thomas Maria
Beesley, Charles Henry
Block, Maurice
Bock, George
Book, Franklin Weaver
Booth, Albert Porch
Boyd, Joseph Charles
Bragg, Charles Lourin
Breuner, John
Breuner, Louis Frederick
Burgess, Alfred Llewellyn
Burnham, James Henry
Butler, Drury DeWolf
Butler, John Winchel Spencer
Camp, Charles Glasby
Carlson, Charles Alfred
Carroll, Edgar Barclay
Caselli, Ansono
Chapman, George Warren
Chrisman, Elmer Judson
Church, William Smithers
Clark, George Harvey
Clauss, John
Clemons, William Strong
Cohn, Edward Francis
Cook, George Nesbitt
Cooledge, Isaac Baldwin
Copelin, Thomas Edward
Cothrin, William Kip
Cox, Thomas Jones
Curtis, William Albert
Cuthbert, William Williams
De Coe, Culver Adam
Denson, Samuel Crawford
Derman, George Louis
Douglas, William Wallace
Dreyer, Rasmus Peter Nielsen
Duden, Ellsworth Frederick
Dunbar, Marcus William
Ellis, Henry Herbert Maxwell
Fairbank, Herbert Augustus
Feldhusen, John Henry
Folger, Alfred Gilbert
Forney, Henry Hinkle
Fox, Thomas
Foye, William Robinson Smith
Frahm, Claus
Frommelt, Hugo
Gardiner, Charles Francis
Gerber, William Emil
Gett, William Andrew
Gillis, Dugald
Gray, Frank Livingstone
Gray, Arthur Irvine
Guthrie, John William
Hale, Evert Wilbern
Hale, Marshal, Jr.
Hale, Prentiss Cobb
Hall, Thomas Bertram
Hall, Harry William
Hamilton, William Brown
Hammer, Mosheim Schumaker
Harms, Maynard Heim
Harper, Horatio Thomas
Harvey, Edwin Henry
Hatch, Wilber Mark
Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette
Haynes, Edward
Heilbron, Adolph
Heilbron, Henry August
Heintzelman, Taylor Washington
Heisen, Charles, Jr.
Heitman, John Henry
Hicks, John Benton
Hicks, William Arthur
Hoffman, Daniel Webster
Hollister, Charles Edwin
Hollister, Frank E.
Holmes, George Albert
Hoover, Benjamin Van Zandt
Hopkins, Edwin Carmi
Huth, Peter Jacob
Ilgner, Charles William
Irvine, Richard Cutrer
Jackson, William Franklyn
Johnson, Hiram Warren
Johnson, Phillip
Johnson, Israel Joseph

Johnson, Howard Kennedy
Jordan, Leander Richard
Kercheval, Howard Douglas
Keyes, Homer Frost
Kiesel, Frederick William
Kirby, William Don
Kimbrough, Richard Oscar
Kleinsorge, Henry Emil
Kleinsorge, William Edward
Klune, John Bernhard
Knights, William Durrant
Knights, William Rudd
Knox, William Frederick
Krebs, Harry Garfield
Lancaster, Frank Willard
Lane, George William
Lawson, Walter Brokaw
Leeson, Charles Gillette
Levison, Jacob
Lightner, Bonus
Little, Christopher
Luce, John Coachman
Marzen, Joseph, Jr.
Maslin, Prentiss
Mathews, Charles James
McCandless, George Lindley
McEntyre, Dan Hugh
McKee, Edwin Hervey
McKee, James Anderson
McLaughlin, William
McMartin, John Alexander
McMaster, James Curtin
Meister, George Albert
Meyer, Johann Gerhard
Menke, Anton
Miller, Dwight Henry
Molter, Jacob Phillip
Morrison, James Mathew
Morton, Charles Wardle
Mull, Archibald Marison
Nichols, Arthur Lombard
Noack, Charles John
Ochsner, John
O'Neil, James
Peck, Nelson Stanley
Perkins, Charles Calley
Phillips, Charles Avery
Phipps, Charles Edward
Phipps, William Thomas
Pike, John Elias Tucker
Pipher, Joseph Elmer
Platt, Philemon Eli
Pope, Samuel, Jr.
Prouty, William Harrison
Putnam, George Prescott
Randle, George Nelson
Read, Herbert Alfred James
Rego, Edward Sunderland
Reid, Thomas Benton
Rideout, Benjamin Norman
Roblin, Frederick Albert
Root, Charles Albert
Royster, William Alexander
Schadt, Frederick William
Scheunert, Carl Emil
Schmid, Emil
Schroth, John George
Scott, James
Scott, Thomas James
Sheldon, William Chauncey
Shonefelt, William Domer
Simmonds, William Shapel
Smith, Benjamin
Smith, Thomas
Springsted, Ernest Willard
Staunton, Frederick William
Stephens, Joseph Hardin
Stephenson, Harley Howard
Stevenson, Henry Llewellyn
Steffens, Joseph
Steinman, Bernard Ulmer
Stober, Frederick Conrad
Stoll, Benjamin Franklin
Straub, John
Strong, John Merritt
Sweany, John
Teichert, Adolph
Towle, Arthur Warren
Tozer, Charles Walter
Turner, Eldridge Curts

Ulp, Alfred
Van Fleet, William Carey
Vermilya, Abram John
Vaughn, Edward
Wachhorst, Eugene Stuart
Walther, Charles Frederick
Welch, Benjamin
Welch, George Drake
Weil, Edward Adolph
White, George Amos
White, John Lysander
Wilcox, Robert Burns
Williams, Austin Daniel
Willis, Evander Berry
Winterburn, George Howard
Wood, William
Wood, Thomas
Wood, Henry Clay
Woods, Victor Hugo
Woodburn, Charles Gabriel
Woodward, George Allen
Wright, Charles Edward
Yardley, Herbert Edward
Yell, Archibald
Young, John Nelles—237

WITHDRAWN.

Charles Thomas Barton
William Alexander January
William Albert Stephenson—3

DIED.

Henry Clay Bell
Michael Thomas Coppersmith
George Ernest August Dierssen
Marvin Alonzo Ketcham
August Meister
William Frederick Peterson
William Frederick Wiard—7

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	230	Withdrawn	3
Greeted	17—247	Died	7
		Now borne upon the roll	237—247

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL, NO. 2

SAN FRANCISCO, SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt, *T. I. M.*
Michael John Kelley, *D. I. M.*
George Penlington, *P. C. W.*
Charles Lord Field, *Treasurer.*
Franklin Henry Day, *Recorder.*
Thomas Abraham Davies, *C. of Guard.*
Charles William Decker, *Conductor.*
Henry Browne Mayo, *Steward.*
Samuel David Mayer, *Organist.*
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Henry Ascroft, *P. G. M.*
Robert Ash, *P. G. M.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Abrams, Joseph David
Adams, Charles Albert
Aigeltinger, Edward Hugo
Aitken, John R.
Alexander, Joseph
Allen, Richard Spicer
Allen, Robert Edward
Anderson, James Wright
Andrews, Edwin Harold
Andrews, Thomas P.
Armstrong, George Robert
Artigues, Charles A.
Ayers, Clarence Warwick
Baker, Charles Henry
Barbier, Howard Frederic
Barstow, William Addison
Bauer, Adolph Charles
Bauer, Chris John
Bauer, George William
Baum, David Andrew
Baum, Simon
Behrens, Ludwig Philip
Benedict, Courtland Smith
Beretta, Caesar Louis
Bernstein, Samuel
Berry, De Los Tracy
Berry, John Lafayette
Black, Howard
Black, Marshall
Blackman, Ellis Aaron
Blackman, Morris Jacob
Blackman Oscar Lemuel
Blossom, Henry Eckford
Bocarde, James Blain
Bohle, Alfred Frederick
Bohls, Henry
Bone, Charles
Bonner, Ernest Chappell
Bonney, Charles Sumner
Booth, Frank Edmund
Borchardt, Paul
Bragg, Robert
Brandon, Frederick Duke
Braunschweiger, Edward
Bromley, George Tisdale
Browell, Jeremiah
Brunings, John Henry
Brunt, Walter Neat
Bugbee, Maxwell Greene
Bullock, John Henry
Buswell, William Francis
Caley, John
Callinan, William
Campbell, Walter Chauncey
Caverly, Le Roy Eugene
Chamberlain, Philander Peregreen
Christian, Caesar
Clark, George Dickson
Cleve, Clarence Taylor
Cluness, William Ross
Coburn, Ira Winn
Collins, William Henry
Conlisk, Charles William
Cook, Joseph Wheeler
Cook, Morton Leon
Cox, Alexander Middleton
Crim, William Henry
Crocker, Henry Joseph
Crocker, William Henry
Cross, Charles Vernon
Cumback, William Elbert
Daggett, John Randolph
Darling, George Lewis
Davis, Burt Lincoln
Davis, Henry Harvey
Davis, Winfield Scott
De Forest, Albert Tracy
De Lamare, August Jacques

Dietterle, George
Dobbel, Charles Henry Louis
Dobler, Charles
Dominguez, Richard Arthur
Dow, Edwin Tyson
Dragomanovich, Spiro S. G.
Dunn, James
Dunne, James Patrick
Eagleson, John Geddes
Earle, Henry Halford
Easton, Daniel Elisha Foote
Easton, Wendell
Eckart, William Roberts
Eddy, Richard A.
Edwards, Hugh Pugh
Edwards, Thomas Clay
Edwards, William
Edwards, William Harvey
Eisner, Milton Sidney
Erdmann, Wm. George Berthold
Erlin, George Edwin
Eva, James Martyn
Eva, Samuel James
Everding, James Campbell
Ewart, David Fraser
Ferguson, Phineas Fanning
Fetz, Joseph, Jr.
Feudner, Martin Otto
Filmer, George
Filmer, William Parker
Flint, Thomas
Foster, Arthur William
Fox, Edwin Benton
Fraser, John P.
Frolich, Theodore
Fuller, William Henry
Gale, Frank Walter
Gale, John William
Garratt, Benjamin Franklin
Gehret, Frederick
Geilfuss, Carl
Getz, Marcus
Gilberts, Edward
Gordon, James Edward
Gould, Charles Walter
Grauerholz, Henry John
Gray, John Hatfield
Gray, William Smith
Green, Charles Ernest
Gruenhagen, Charles Henry
Gruenhagen, Theodore Godlove
Haas, David Leopold
Hagbom, Emil Wilhelm
Hale, Reuben Brooks
Hall, Otho Norris
Halloran, Joseph Francis
Hanselman, Andrew
Hansen, Frederick Ludwig
Hanson, William Henry
Harris, Marshall C.
Harris, Thomas Voel
Hassler, William Charles
Hatch, James Henry
Hawks, James Lawrence
Heller, Louis Charles
Hellwig, Christian
Hoffman, Henry Nathaniel
Hopkins, Timothy
Horn, Bernard Jeremiah
Hubbard, Henry Calvin
Huested, Orson Justus
Huff, William Henry Routin
Humphreys, William Penn
Hutchings, Hiram Samuel
Isaacs, Edward Samuel
Jacobs, Albert
Jacobs, Albert Pocorny
Jacobs, John Adolph
Jellison, Benjamin Franklin
Jewett, George Albert
Johnson, George
Johnson, Roosevelt
Jones, Edward Campbell
Keilus, Charles
Kent, Thaddeus Benning
Kern, Morris James
Kimball, Roy Thurston
King, Joseph Libbey
Kinne, Charles Mason
Kittredge, Ralph Bell

Klein, John Mathias
Koenig, Frank
Koenig, Friedrich H. W. D.
Kohler, Henry
Koop, Otto Lewis
Kramer, Louis George
Krieg, Anton
Landgrebe, Robert George
Laumeister, Gustave
Law, Hartland
Lawrence, William Babcock
Lee, John, Jr.
Lester, Henry Charles
Lewandowski, John Anthony
Lewers, Robert
Lewis, William
Lippman, George W.
Long, Herbert Clifton
Lowell, Albert Carroll
Lucas, Walter Edward
Lunt, George William
Lyman, William Whittingham
Lynch, Henry Hudson
Lyon, William Henry
MacBain, John
Mangrum, Arthur Sherman
Mann, James Monroe
Manner, Charles Vogt
Manning, Horatio Seymour
Mansfield, Joel Henry
Marquis, Ferdinand Phileas Canac
Marsh, John Alfred
Martell, Harry Gaylord
Marvin, Harvey Arrington
Marvin, Harvey Le Fevre
Mathews, George Sumner
Maundrell, Harry
McAbee, Louis Francis
McCarty, James
McDougall, Charles Campbell
McKellar, Norman
McMillan, Robert
McWilliams, John Adam
Meigs, Anson Woodman
Merralls, William Augustus
Metzner, Charles Francis
Meyer, Arthur
Meyers, Jacob
Meyers, John Jacob
Miller, Thurlow Spragge
Moebus, Fred Wm. Gustav
Monckton, Frank Daniel
Moore, Andrew
Morgan, Charles Augustus
Moulton, Levi Everett
Mouser, Silas Mercer
Muller, Louis
Mundwyler, John Jacob
Murdock, George Leonard
Murphy, Charles Henry
Myrson, Simon
Nelson, Arthur Julius
Neuhaus, Christian Henry Fred
Neustadter, Louis William
Newhall, Edwin White
Newman, George Howard
Nicholas, Nahum
Nonnenmann, Louis
Nopander, Louis Nicholas
Noteware, Edward Washington
Nuttall, Hasalom
O'Connor, Joseph
Olsen, William
Otersen, Herman
Overgaard, Soren Knudsen
Parker, Theodore Roosevelt
Patton, Charles Lewis
Peck, Philip
Pennington, George W.
Pennington, Thomas
Perine, George Mairs
Perkins, Samuel Henry
Perley, Albion Starbird
Phillips, William Rippard
Pike, Charles William
Poole, John Wesley
Price, William Edmund
Prince, Henry Gilman
Raabe, Frederick Otto
Rice, Thomas Clarke

Ridley, Arthur Ernest Brooke
Rieser, Edwin Oliver
Robertson, John Milne
Robinson, Thomas Braceland
Roeder, William Frederick
Ryan, Michael
Samter, Marks
Savage, Michael Joseph
Schetzel, Adolph Georg
Schmidt, Henry
Schmidt, Valentine
Schnee, Gustave
Schomer, George
Schreiber, Martin August W.
Schwab, Henry Frederick
Scott, Clarence Sydney
Scott, Henry Wilson
Seibel, Philipp
Sewell, Daniel Robert
Silverstein, Jacob
Smith, Charles Lewis
Smith, Harry Lewis
Smith, Lewis Warren
Smith, William Jacob
Sorensen, James A.
Soule, Arthur Calvin
Soule, William Lloyd Garrison
Speier, Bernard
Spence, James Underhill
Stallman, Charles Christian
Starbird, Albion Wilson
Stephenson, Edward
Stoddart, Augustus Wynne
Sumner, Frank William
Sussman, Samuel
Suydam, Charles Henry
Swanberg, Charles Olof
Sykes, Charles Erastus
Taylor, George McClellan
Taylor, John Brinkworth
Thierbach, Charles Frederick
Thomas, Harry Walter
Thompson, George
Thompson, Henry
Thompson, George Howard
Tonningsen, John
Trebell, Thomas
Troutt, James Morris
Tucker, Edwin Warren
Turpin, Andrew Walker
Twomey, James
Van Bergen, Henry
Vanderhurst, William
Veen, Frank Joseph
Von Staden, George
Von Wefelsburg, Alexander B.
Walker, Robert Andrew
Walter, Henry Franklin
Wapple, Albert Michael
Warwick, James Blain
Weidman, George Elias
Welch, Willard Choate, Jr.
Wendell, Clarence Theodore
Westphal, Otto Francis
Wetherbee, Charles
Wethered, William Lowry
Wheaton, Milton Alverd
Whitcomb, Frank Randolph
White, Robert Horace
Whitely, Henry Mallard
Whitman, Victor
Williams, George Henry
Williams, Henry Alston
Willman, Alexander
Wilson, Charles Harold
Wilson, Jeremiah Judson
Wilson, William Archibald
Wisnom, John
Wolf, Simon
Wood, Casimir Jackson
Woodbury, Warren Dean
Woodside, Alexander
Young, James
Young, Shirley Trevor—354.

RESTORED.

Charles A. Artigues
Casimir Jackson Wood—2.

WITHDRAWN.

Llewellyn Davies
William Rennie
James Garfield Spaulding—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

George Samuel Andres
William Alexander Bingham
Henry Frederick Bruns—3.

EXCLUDED.

Willis Gorman Dodd
Hans Theodore Henning
Hiram G. Vaughan—3

DIED.

Thomas Henry Day
Max Goldman
Alonzo Hallett
Samuel Chester Hammond
Henry Bennett Madison
Edward Jackson Niles
Warren Ritch Payne—7

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	3
On roll per last report	352	Suspended N. P. D.	3
Greeted	15	Excluded	3
Affiliated	1	Died	7
Restored	2—370	Now borne upon the roll	354—370

MARYSVILLE COUNCIL, NO. 3.

MARYSVILLE, YUBA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Solomon Lewek, *T. I. M.*
Peter Engel, *D. I. M.*
Charles E. Stone, *P. C. W.*
Joseph Durfee, *Treasurer.*
James Fred Eastman, *Recorder.*
Albert Julius Menz, *C. of Guard.*
John George MacLellan, *Conductor.*
Isaac Geballe Cohn, *Steward.*
Edgar Taber, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles E. Stone
Atkins Clark Bingham
Lemuel Trescott Crane
Frank B. Miller
Alexander Cameron Irwin
Joseph Durfee

SELECT MASTERS.

Belcher, Richard
Berry, James McConnell
Blood, Richard Pearson
Brockman, John Henry
Buttelman, Frederick William
Ellis, William Turner

Ewell, Samuel
Fisher, Amos
Gribner, George Thomas
Griffith, Irwin
Hauss, Ferdinand
Hopkins, Allen Bruscup
Hutchins, Gavin Walker
Mould, William
Peacock, William Flint
Peck, William Francis
Price, Charles John
Sanborn, Miles Edward
Schuler, Conrad
Sieber, Henry Frederick
Skinner, Randolph Whitney
Slingsby, William
Stafford, William Henry—36

WITHDRAWN.

John Duncan Boyd—1

DIED.

Simon Hochstadter
Meyer A. Marcuse—2

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
		Died	2
On roll per last report..	39	Now borne upon the roll	36— 39

SONORA COUNCIL, NO. 5.

SONORA, TUOLUMNE COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS.

James Henriksen, *T. I. M.*
Joseph Milton Smullen, *D. I. M.*
Alfred Hercules Rainville, *P. C. W.*
William White Eastman, *Treasurer.*
William Edwin Burden, *Recorder.*
Charles Henry Burden, *C. of Guard.*
Frank Albert Morgan, *Conductor.*
Harris James Coffill, *Steward.*
Abraham Barlow, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Frank Wilson Street
Crittenden Hampton
William Lyman Hood
James Henriksen

SELECT MASTERS.

Adair, Charles Francis
Allgewahr, George
Allgewahr, Louis
Arendt, Michael
Baker, Harry Walcott
Ball, Cary
Barton, Eugene Hamilton
Batten, John Henry
Beedle, Frederick Charles
Belli, Caesar Arthur
Belloni, Mark John Baptist
Blood, Harry Spaulding
Carmichael, Neil
Clough, Frederick Warren

Cooley, John
Cramer, Herman, Jr.
Dewitt, Wilmar
Driver, David Bakie
Eslick, Charles
Engstrom, Charles Otto
Evans, Job Montgomery
Flanders, Harry S.
Fletcher, Albert Carolan
Fontana, Charles Domenick
Fraser, Gregor Grant
Fulcher, Raymond Edgar
Garland, Warren Nathaniel
Graebe, Alfred Eugene
Godfrey, Charles Homens
Gould, Elisha Tolman
Howell, Harry John
Johns, Henry
Johns, Samuel Joseph
Johnson, Peter
Kennedy, Charles Thomas
Koch, William Alexander
Lagomarsino, James
Langford, James Terry
Loring, William Joseph
Manuel, Mathew Henry
McLaren, Duncan Allen
McPherson, John
Miller, John Jacob
Miller, Valentine William
Morgan, George Phillip
Morgans, Morgan Phillip
Nickerson, Ralph Byron
Nichols, Elmer Lincoln
Nicol, George Woodburn
Nuner, Charles Glover
Nuner, William Marble, Jr.
O'Connell, Charles Augustus
O'Connell, John Henry
Oliver, Dew Roger
Paulsen, Hans Christian
Poe, Adam W.
Potts, Warren Charles
Preston, Howard Alvin
Ratz, Frederick Henry
Roberts, David E.
Rose, Warren
Ross, Arthur Gilbert
Scott, William Richard
Shafer, Charles Edward
Shine, John Henry
Stratton, Daniel Edgar
Stuckey, Simon Filmore
Suess, Ignatz
Thompson, James Thomas
Thow, George
Tulloch, Charles Thomas
Vial, John
Wells, Frank Clinton
Wells, Thomas Washington
Wiemer, William
Wilson, Ernest Everett
Witney, John Lorin
Wonderley, John Martin—90

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Thomas Arthur Stiles Hender
John Franklin Littlefield
James Timothy O'Brien
William Sharwood—4

DIED.

Arthur Gustave Madson
Thomas Henry Slator—2

RECAPITULATION.

		Suspended N. P. D.....	4
On roll per last report..	93	Died	2
Greeted	3— 96	Now borne upon the roll	90— 96

SHASTA COUNCIL, NO. 6.

REDDING, SHASTA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Adolphus Bystle, *T. I. M.*
Ferdinand Hurst, *D. I. M.*
John William Garden, *P. C. W.*
William James Gillespie, *Treasurer.*
Albert Frederick Ross, *Recorder.*
Franklin Pierce Primm, *C. of Guard.*
Reuben Hoyle, *Conductor.*
George Crone Strode, *Steward.*
Francis Xavier Labonte, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Albert Frederick Ross

SELECT MASTERS.

Ashcraft, Aldis Isaac
Beard, John Samuel
Boswell, William Alexander
Brown, Ancil Lycurgus
Cahoone, William Brower
D'Egilbert, William Alfred
Dozier, Charles Thomasson
Fish, William Andrew
Garabrant, Frank H.
Hansen, James Dudley
Hawkins, Divine Zachariah
Hoyle, John Elkanah
Hunt, William Broderick
Jacobson, Charles
Jeffrey, William
Lambson, Giles Hammond
Limnell, Edwin Michael
Lowden, William Spencer
McCoy, Leo Lewis
McCrum, Benjamin
Murphy, Sylvanus Everet
Overmeyer, Charles Edwin
Reynolds, John Edward
Richardson, James Lee
Rosevear, Samuel John
Rosland, Oscar O
Rowles, James
Satterlee, Franklin Peck
Stephenson, John Nicholas
Strode, John Sale
Sweeney, Edward
Teass, James Chester
Weil, Joseph—42

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report.. 37
Greeted ..... 5— 42 Now borne upon the roll—42

HELENA COUNCIL, NO. 9.

HELENA, MONTANA.

Stated Assemblies, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Francis Doremus Jones, *T. I. M.*
James F. McNamee, *D. I. M.*
Cornelius Hedges, Jr., *P. C. W.*
Michael Reinig, *Treasurer.*
George Booker, *Recorder.*
Edward Cason Day, *C. of Guard.*
James Wm. Christie, *Conductor.*
Starratt J. Burgess, *Steward.*
Henry Cowden, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Joseph J. Hindson
Henry M. Parchen

SELECT MASTERS.

Arvidson, Axel
Bennett, William G.
Boll, William Henry
Bray, Charles Henry
Cater, Charles S.
Cook, Andrew B.
Cummings, Patrick W.
Damon, Herbert William
Featherman, James Benjamin
Featherman, John A.
Garrett, Clarence B.
Glass, John Noble
Gunderson, Hans
Heninger, Matthew M.
Henningsen, Waldemare F.
Henry, Daniel B.
Hepner, H. Solomon
Holter, Anton M.
Holter, Martin M.
Hurvitch, Samuel
Jones, Louis L.
Kleinschmidt, Theodore H.
Lockey, Richard, Sr.
Lockey, Richard, Jr.
Lombard, Halsey W.
Middlemas, David W.
Mills, William Ernest
Moreland, Isaac Samuel
Nolan, Cornelius B.
Parchen, Albert D'acheul
Pickett, Henry Giles
Robinson, Jeremiah
Schwab, Samuel
Sederburg, Albert W.
Sommers, Henry
Stewart, William Wallace
Strong, Harry
Switzer, Jacob
Tatem, Benjamin Hutchison
Wagstaff, Fred Irwin
Walker, John Longacre
Weigel, Louis
Wood, George Rodney—54

EXCLUDED.

Allen M. Easterly
Aleck L. Palmer—2

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..	53	Excluded	2
Greeted	3— 56	Now borne upon the roll	54— 56

STOCKTON COUNCIL, NO. 10.

STOCKTON, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Carlton Cooledge Case, *T. I. M.*
Charles Morrill Keniston, *D. I. M.*
Henry William Bessac, *P. C. W.*
Edward Clement Stewart, *Treasurer.*
Arthur Morgan Noble, *Recorder.*
Albert Nelson Draper, *C. of Guard.*
Parke Edwin Grady, *Conductor.*
William Frederick Siegel, *Steward.*
Edgar Warren Butters, *Organist.*
Charles Edward Howe, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Abraham Davies, *P. G. M.*
Edward Richards Hedges, *P.G.M.*
Alexander Chalmers.
Charles Willis Norton, *P. G. M.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Adams, Charles Campbell
Andrus, William Frank
Balta, George
Barnett, Henry Addison
Bauer, Adolph
Beckman, Henry
Beckman, Theodore Henry
Bennett, Paul Witherby
Blodgett, John Millard
Boggs, Frank Shackelford
Bottomley, Charles Monroe
Bradford, George Hosack
Briggs, Herbert Hamilton
Briscoe, Henry Ferguson
Brown, Philip Thomas
Brown, George Albert, Jr.
Burgess, Wilford Harmon
Burgess, Isaiah Paul
Caine, John
Castle, Durrett Oliver
Catts, George Elbert
Clark, Fred Pope
Cobb, Frank Dyckman
Cory, John Braly
Cowper-Thwaite, Edward
Cross, Samuel Nelson
Crump, John Edward
Dalby, Samuel Pierce
Farnsworth, Clovis Alonzo
Finnell, Michael
Fitzgerald, William Wesley
Fraser, Philip Barry
Friedberger, Joseph
Friedberger, Leo
Fussell, George
Garwood, John
Gazzolo, Victor
Gershbacher, Joshua Barre
Grooshauser, Frank
Gross, Edward Emil
Grunsky, Eugene Moritz
Hadcock, David
Haight, Louis Montrose
Henderson, Orrin Staples
Hill, George Washington
Holt, Pliny Eastman
Hull, James Porterfield
Jory, John
Kean, Camden Warren
Keyes, Henry Calcut
Kincaid, Fred Llewellyn
Kinnear, James Willard

Krog, Peter Christian
Langford, George William
Latta, Samuel Eikenbarry
Le Moin, George Worley
Lorenz, William Henry
Maschek, Charles Herman
Mallett, Albert
Mauzer, Frank Eugene
McGowan, Elmer Hoover
McKenzie, George Alexander
McKinnon, Elbert Dwight
McLeod, John H.
McNoble, George Francis
Meyer, Fred Olin
Meyers, Herman Carson
Miller, John Henry
Muenter, August Edward
Neumiller, Charles Louis
Peart, Luke W.
Pollard, Fred Albert
Powell, Barton Jerome
Reid, Robert Asa
Rhoads, William Henry Harrison
Robinson, Isaac Henry
Roe, Joseph William
Rolerson, Benjamin Franklin
Russell, Richard William
Schlichtman, Claus
Seeley, John Whitney
Sibley, Walter Frank
Sink, Reuben Henry
Smith, Frank Hartford
Smith, Thomas Thornton
Smith, William Wellington
Snow, William
Steinbeck, Wilhelm Peter
Stites, Joseph Augustus
Stitt, Philemon Herbert
Stone, William Henry
Swain, Joseph Henry
Tatterson, George Watson
Tatterson, Arthur Potter
Thompson, Edward Reese
Thompson, Thomas Richard
Tindell, Pleasant Hay
Vehawn, John Oliver
Wakefield, Edward Harlan
Yardley, John—114

DIED.

Gilbert Burnet Claiborne
Flavel Gaylord Hickox
Richard Letcher Peterson
William Grant Phipps
Henry Ephraim Robbins—5

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..	93	Died	5
Greeted	26—119	Now borne upon the roll	114—119

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL, NO. 11.

LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Edward Byron Spencer, *T. I. M.*
Samuel Edgerton Burke, *D. I. M.*
John Hill Bean, *P. C. W.*
Walter Clements Durgin, *Treasurer.*
Caleb Amos Yarnell, *Recorder.*
Peter W. Garn, *C. of Guard.*
Charles Edward Sebastian, *Conductor.*
William Winters Tritt, *Steward.*
Adolph J. Maas, *Sentinel.*
(Zabud No. 4, Topeka, Kansas.)

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Henry Sayre Orme, *P. G. M.*
Granville Quincy Stewart
Robert Gilmore Cunningham
August Wackerbarth, *P. G. M.*
William Byron Scarborough, *P. G. M.*
David Monroe Sutherland, *P. G. M.*
John Francis Hughes
Willis Milnor Dixon
Warren Edward Rowley
William Henry Raynor, *P. G. M.*
William Edward Chamberlain
Charles Sherman Anderson
Dana Reid Weller

SELECT MASTERS.

Abbott, Adelbert Starr
Adams, Horace Bishop
Adams, Walter Franklin
Adcock, Robert James
Altland, Edwin Neiman
Alexander, Charles Ambrose
Amlin, John L.
Anderson, Charles J.
Anderson, John Francis
Armstrong, George
Arnold, William Ralph
Arnoldt, Herman
Ashley, William Buckley
Atkins, George Mall
Avery, Hilbert King
Aydelotte, George Howard
Aylsworth, George Webb
Bacon, George
Bagby, Edwin Hanson
Bagley, Charles Leland
Bailey, John T.
Bailey, Ralph Waldo
Baker, Charles Edwin
Baker, Fred
Balch, Allen Christopher
Baldwin, Cornelius Vanoy
Bardill, John Warner
Barnard, Albert William
Barrow, Thomas Martin
Barto, Fred Oliver
Baxter, Samuel Cashier
Beattie, Robert Fountain
Beckett, Wesley Wilbur
Beer, James Clark
Belcher, Harry Arthur
Bellringer Edward Aubrey
Benbrook Charles Mallard
Berg, Christian Gottlieb
Berger, Andrew S.
Bernard, Gustav Adolph George
Berner, John Bismarck
Bicknell, John Dustin
Biescar, Henry
Bille, Marsello
Billington, Theophilus
Blackstone, Henry Winthrop
Blair, Francis Wayland
Bliesner, William John
Bohrman, Henry William
Boothe, Stephen Sterling
Boswell, Frank Moore
Botsford, Frank Leroy
Bourne, John Franklin
Bowen, Calvin Case
Bowen, John Wesley
Bradbeer, James H.
Bradford, Charles Raymond
Bradish, Avery Jackson
Branch, John Franklin
Brauer, Adolph Carl
Braun, Henry
Bresee, Melvin Arthur
Bresee, Phineas Wright
Brill, William
Brink, John Edward
Brode, Alexander Charles
Brode, Walter Charles
Brookman, Arthur

Brooks, Frank Handy
Brown, Charles Milton
Brown, John Alexander
Brown, Walter Eldridge
Browning, Charles Clifton
Bryson, Frank
Bryson, George Washington
Buffum, Frank
Bulla, Robert Nelson
Burgwold, Hugo Mathias
Burke, Robert John
Burkhardt, Adolph
Burns, Orin L.
Burns, Robert Wallace
Burr, Charles Martin
Burr, John
Bynon, Frederick Silas
Cahill, James William
Campbell, Daniel
Campbell, John Mis
Campbell, Alfred Quincy
Cannon, John Stevens
Carlson, Carl Otto
Carr, Joseph Elmer
Carver, Clarence C.
Caswell, William Mitchell
Catey, Stacey Francis
Cave, Daniel
Chase, Lucius Kurtz
Clark, Herbert Hamilton
Clarke, Frank Brainerd
Cline, William
Coate, Henry R.
Cobb, Edward Sigourney
Coe, Edmund Wallace
Cohn, Albert
Cohn, Elias
Collins, Burton Vincent
Connett, Harry
Conradi, Simon
Cook, George Washington
Cooksey, Job Emit
Coombes, Willard E.
Coon, Willard Alden
Conrey, Nathaniel Parrish
Copp, Andrew James, Jr.
Cornes, Frank J.
Cowan, Richard Bates
Cox, Robert Lee
Crandall, John Abner
Crawford, James Seth
Cribb, John Caborn
Cunningham, John Calvin
Daniels, Albert Julius
Davis, Harvey
Dawson, John Bennett
Day, John Pinkney
De la Monte, Jacques Henry
De Monbrun, Edward Lee
Dewey, James Henry
Dick, James William
Dill, Robie Everett
Dillingham, Frank Stinson
Dolley, Rolland Everet
Donnell, John Alexander
Doyle, John Hunt
Drew, Arthur Linford
Driscoll, Timothy
Drought, Robert
Duffie, John Jefferson
Duffill, Harry
Dunham, James Elias
Dunsmoor, Cylos Taylor
Dunsmoor, John Marcus
Dutcher, Claude Elmer
Eager, Charles Lucius
Easley, Samuel J.
Eckstrom, Albert Axel
Ehlers, Peter William
Eichelberger, Harry Martin
Eldridge, Septimus Tustin
Elliott, Edwin Windsor
Elliott, Elmer Ellsworth
Ellis, Henry Bertrand
Ellis, Samuel Augusta
Ennis, Charles Wesley
Everhardy, Mathew William
Fairchild, John Anthony
Farley, Frank
Faust, Willis, Jr.

Ferbert, John C.
Ferris, Horace Bayles
Field, Benjamin Franklin
Fiscus, Joseph
Fish, Charles Winthrop
Fisher, Donnell George
Fitch, George Atkins
Flint, Frank Putnam
Flint, Motley Hewes
Folsom, Niles Rathbone
Fowler, Joseph
Fordham, Milton Cephas
Foshay, James A.
Fraisher, Robert Love
Francis, Ira Johnson
Fraser, Leonidas Polk
Frederick, John Donan
Gehrkens, William Henry
Gibbs, Charles Alfred
Gibson, Leo La Forest
Gill, William Henry
Gillis, Robert Cowan
Gilmer, John Parks
Glass, Clement Studebaker
Goehring, John George
Gordon, Frank Henry
Granicher, Oswald
Gregg, William Seaton
Greppin, Ernest Henry
Grisinger, Joseph Henry
Grubb, Oscar Edwin
Guthrie, Finis William
Hale, Frank Seraph
Hamburger, Moses Asher
Hamilton, Harley Erastus
Hammond, Rollin C.
Hammond, William T. Sherman
Hanselman, John Wesley
Harper, Arthur Cyprian
Harrington, Frederick
Harris, Jonathan Bentley
Harris, Murray McCheyenne
Harrison, Lisle Ryerson
Harrison, William Henry
Hart, Alexander Hamilton
Hart, Dwight Howard
Hart, Frank John
Hart, George Alandson
Haskell, John Condit
Hauser, Edward Charles
Hauser, Lewis August
Haydock, Clarence
Heartt, Burton Elmer
Heartt, Charles Lawrence
Heffner, Robert Armstrong
Henderson, Andrew
Henderson, John Blanchard
Henderson, William Alexander
Henry, James Wheaton
Henshey, Benjamin Botsford
Herr, George Frederick
Herron, Fred Irvine
Herron, Rufus Hills
Hervey, William Rhodes
Hiatt, William Macy
Hillyer, William Sherman
Hines, Fred Amos
Hoagland, Robert Stout
Holcombe, Arthur Lovell
Hollingsworth, William Irving
Hollis, George Henry
Homeyer, Albert Von
Houselibe, William John
Howard, Perry Alonzo
Hubbard, William Lewis
Hudson, Frank Dale
Humphreys, William Morgan
Hussey, William Clark
Hyde, John Church
Iftiger, Hugo Julius
Irvine, Robert John
Irving, Carl
Irving, James
Jackson, Charles Franklin
Jackson, James Henry
Jacobi, Lewis
Jarrett, Benjamin Samuel
Jeffries, John Henry
Jeffries, William Parish
Jenkins, John Joseph

Jensen, Henry Christian
Jepson, Jacob
Johnson, William M.
Jones, Edward Douglas
Jones, John Taylor
Jones, Lester M.
Jones, Mark G.
Keith, George Frank
Keller, Will Edward
Kennedy, Lewis Henry
Kern, Joseph Edward
Kerr, Thomas William
Kingsbury, Homer Pinfield D.
Kingsbury, William Stephen
Kingsley, John Amos
Kinney, Arthur Wilson
Kirkland, Derwentwater
Kitchen, John Franklin
Knickerbocker, Miles
Knox, Harry Clifton
Koll, August Juergen
Koyer, Arthur Sheppard
Krempel, John Paul
Krohn, Henry George
Kyte, George Irvin
Lamb, Stacy Caldwell
La Niece, Edwin James
Lauterman, Frank Dexter
Lang, Fred Selwyn
Latsch, Theo Martin
Lee, Fred Leonard
Leiber, Louis Otto
Leix, Frederick
Letts, Arthur
Levy, Michael
Levy, Oscar
Lewis, Edward William
Lewis, James Clinton
Lewis, John Clements
Lewis, Joseph Albert
Lindsay, Joseph Brown
Lloyd, Charles
Logan, George Burkett
Long, James William
Louis, Emmanuel J.
Loverina, Walter A.
Lovett, William Watson
Lukenbach, John
Macfarlane, Walter
Mackey, George Grant
Magee, Robert
Maier, Simon
Marden, Leo Wallace
Mart, Charles
Martin, Julius Herbert
Martindale, Walter W.
Masters, John Henry
Masters, Robert Emmett
Matheson, John Luther
Mayo, Harmon Jeff
McAllister, Frank Allister
McAllister, James Pinkerton
McBride, Walter Ellsworth
McCarty, Walter George
McClurkin, William John
McConnell, Henry Elmer
McCollough, Alex Millard F.
McComas, Charles
McCray, Morris Lynn
McDivitt, Daniel
McGarvin, Donne Clio
McLeod, John A.
Mead, Charles Abiel
Mead, Willis Howard
Mears, Charles Franklin
Medwina, John Blancarte
Melczer, Joseph
Mellus, Louis Randolph
Mercer, Preston Reese
Merrill, John Benjamin
Merrill, Joseph Lane
Merritt, Elmer Philip
Merwin, Andrew Homer
Meserve, Edwin Alvin
Meserve, Frank Pierce
Messacar, Frank William
Miller, Edmund Axel
Miller, Edward Hall
Miller, George William
Miller, Robert Warren

Miller, Thomas Sylvester
Miller, William John
Mitchell, Charles Edward
Monlux, John B.
Moore, Alton Howard
Moore, Elmer Ellsworth
Morgan, Oscar Crellin
Morgan, William Brazelton
Morrill, Mattson Annis
Morrison, Wm. Edward Domville
Morton, John Jay
Mott, Albert Clark
Moyse, George Ulysses
Mueller, Earl Walter
Mueller, Oscar Charles
Murphy, Claire Warren
Murphy, Dennis J.
Murphy, Joseph Lannes
Murray, Alexander Wilson
Murray, John Emmett
Mussey, Nathaniel Dickson
Myrick, Nathaniel Willis
Nagel, George Edward
Nance, Benjamin Franklin
Neuhart, Daniel
Nevins, Leon Wesley
Nightingale, John Henry
Noble, Wm. Clarence Hayes
Obee, Henry
Odenthal, Hubert
Off, John William Arnold
O'Reilly, Thomas William
Owen, Frank Dale
Owens, Madison Townsend
Pallette, Edward M.
Parker Francis Marion
Parr, William Albert
Patterson, Charles Edgar
Patillo, James Nelson
Paul, John Rink
Pease, Edward William
Pease, Niles
Pease, Sherman
Peck, Daniel Gauger
Peel, Theodore Leo
Peipers, Paul Clarence
Peloubet, William Spaulding
Pendell, Charles Elisha
Percy, Harry Lord
Perry, John Sargent
Pettebone, Henry Wells
Pfaffinger, Frank Xavier
Pierce, Clarence Warner
Pierce, Darwin Wilson
Pierce, Fred Eugene
Pillsbury, George Eber
Plath, Emil Ludwig
Post, John Camel
Poundstone, Jacob
Powers, Edward Everett
Preston, Jasper Newton
Pridham, Richard Woodworth
Pullman, Carl
Rankin, William John
Raze, Arthur Eldredge
Rebman, John
Redmond, Clement James
Reed, Charles Joseph
Rees, Bert
Reid, James Arthur
Renaker, Charles Taylor
Renfro, Alva D.
Rhodes, Allin Lee
Rice, Robert Lincoln
Riggle, Elmer Willis
Rising, Franklin Edward
Roberts, Richard Goronevy
Robertson, Andrew
Rockwell, Lorenzo Anson
Rodenhouse, Harry Edward
Rodgers, James Frederick
Roeder, Henry
Rogers, Albert Clark
Rogers, Read Wyman
Ronscup, Henry Wilson
Ross, Frederick William
Routzahn, Willis Harsay
Rowley, Quinton John
Roy, Neil
Ruskamp, Charles D.

Salisbury, Samuel Scott
Scarborough, James Gustave
Scheerer, Conrad
Schmidt, Ferd Wilhelm Theo.
Schneider, George Henry
Schoder, Howard Joseph
Schrieber, William George
Schwaebe, Lewis Henry
Schwartz, Henry Butler
Selph, Edgar Eugene
Sexton, Charles Wesley
Shannon, William Alexander
Sharpe, Frederick H.
Shelton, Harry Ashton
Sherer, Robert
Sherman, Moses Hazeltine
Sherrard, Edward Everett
Shoemaker, Fred Wilcox
Shrader, William Wallace, Jr.
Simms, John H.
Simms, Vinton Delos
Sinsabaugh, Simpson McCullough
Skinner, Alden Webster
Slater, Joseph Karl
Slotterbeck, Harry Walter
Small, Richard Ellsworth
Smart, George Joseph
Smith, Benjamin Nathaniel, Jr.
Smith, Everett Russell
Smith, Horace Osbun
Smith, Joseph Augustus
Smith, Melvin David
Smith, William Albert
Smith, William Ferdinand
Snow, Harry L.
Snowden, Joshua Hazelrigg
Snyder, Meredith Pinxton
Spaulding, Frank Leverett
Specht, Joseph Christian
Spence, Edward Follis
Spence, William Glenn
Spencer, Isom Lindsay
Spinks, Wallace Humphrey
Stagg, Edward Houts
Stansbury, Charles
Starr, Joseph Lee
Stein, Sam
Stephens, William Dennison
Stevens, John Benjamin
Stewart, Albert Iulus
Stewart, George Hadley
St. John, Philip Brisock
Stoll, George Henry
Storrow, Samuel
Strassburg, Edward
Streicher, Michael
Strohm, Thomas
Sumption, Frederick Albert
Sweet, Otto
Tanner, Wilson Gustin
Taylor, Henry Holland
Taylor, John Hartley
Taylor, Ora
Teagle, Leander Allen
Tenbrook, George Henry
Thayer, Joseph Harriott
Thompson, Charles Wesley, Jr.
Thompson, Chester Weaver
Thompson, John S. Vance De C.
Thompson, Robert Mossman
Thurman, Joseph Coy
Tichenor, George Nultman
Thorpe, Joseph Raymond
Tower, Harry Dooley
Train, Robert Farquhar
Trobec, John August
Turner, Robert Morton
Tuttle, Victor Hugo
Urmston, John Kreck
Valiant, George Francis
Valentine, Edward Sharpe
Valentine, William Lucas
Van Doren, John Suydam
Van Nuys, Isaac Newton
Vawter, Edwin James
Vetter, Louis Fisher
Vogel, Herman Oscar
Volbrecht, William Julius
Volkman, Martin Frederick
Wade, Robert David

Walker, Daniel Henry
Walker, Samuel Millard
Walton, Charles Strong
Wankowski, Robert
Ward, Perl Adelbert
Ward, William Henry
Wardell, Ralph Hewitt
Watson, Ralph Matt
Weber, John
Webster, James William
Weichman, Henry Philip
Weidner, Peter
Weinberger, Isidor
Welch, William Ormond
Werdin, Ernest Rudolph
West, George Miller
West, Henry Hebard
Wetterauer, Andrew Peter
Wheeler, Emanuel Randolph
Wheeler, Horace Marcellus
White, William
White, William Addison
Whiting, Perry
Whitney, Grant Ulysses
Willcox, John Walter
Williams, Herbert George
Williams, William Henry
Williamson, Frederick
Willis, Frank Rominar
Wohlfarth, August
Wood, Charles Modini
Wood, George Herbert
Woodbury, Edward
Woodis, Warren Albert
Wreden, Carl Von
Wright, Arthur
Yost, Charles
Young, John William
Youngworth, Leo Valtus
Zaiser, Louis G—579

RESTORED.

William Sherman Hillyer—1

WITHDRAWN.

Frank R. Cunningham
Joseph Relton Garthside
William Rowland Hudson
Greeted September 1, 1908.
August Charles Malone
David Allen McCoy—5

EXCLUDED.

Paul Harcourt Blades
Benjamin Stewart Lauder
Lawrence Archer Lovell
Thomas Edward Moore
William Andrew Rideout—5

DIED.

Henry Glass
Davis Gotthelf
Wm. Thomas Jeffries
Oscar Paul Koerting
Wm. Hendricks Ledgerwood
John Bonewitz Rohrer
Ferdinand Kennett Rule
Walter Everett Servoss
Benjamin Nathaniel Smith
William Edward Thompson
Otis Horton Westcott
William Colfax Whitman—12

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	544	Withdrawn	5
Greeted	54	Excluded	5
Affiliated	2	Died	12
Restored	1—601	Now borne upon the roll	579—601

OAKLAND COUNCIL, NO. 12.

OAKLAND, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, fifth Thursday of months having five Thursdays.

OFFICERS.

John Andrew Sansom, *T. I. M.*
Barizillai P. Bull, *D. I. M.*
Edward Harrison Morgan, *P. C. W.*
James Bestor Merritt, *Treasurer.*
George Henry Smith, *Recorder.*
John Charles Foster, *C. of Guard.*
Charles Herbert Cowell, *Conductor.*
Edward Henry Clawiter, *Steward.*
John William Gwilt, *Organist.*
Robert Griffith Evans, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James Bestor Merritt, *P. G. M.*
W. Frank Pierce, *P. G. M.*
Edward Harrison Morgan
Webb Nicholson Pearce
Edwin Allen Sherman
Eugene Carmeny
Edward Constant Robinson
Robert Edgar
Amasa Wright Bishop
Augustus Lewis Ott
Damien Edmont Fortin
Albert Humphrey Merritt, *P. G. M.*
John Alexander Britton
George Henry Smith
Charles Herbert Wever
William James Chesney
Frank Reeve Woolsey
Fred Duane Voorhees
Charles Frank Thomas

SELECT MASTERS.

Allen, Charles Hamilton
Allyn, George Spencer
Anguin, William Stanley
Austin, George William
Austin, Harry
Avery, Mark Herbert
Bacon, Gilman William
Badger, Thomas Norman
Baker, Alvin W.
Barry, William
Barton, Charles Thomas
Beckwith, John A.
Bell, Harmon
Benton, Julian Juriah
Beretta, Italo A.
Bergsten, Oscar Paulus
Bice, John
Bilger, Frank William
Bird, Charles Gladstone
Blohm, Charles Henry
Borton, Chester Cooper
Breed, Arthur Hastings

Breed, Herbert Lincoln
Brown, Lewis Henry
Browne, Henry Rosekrans
Bullock, Richard Steele
Burleigh, Elmer Seaver
Burrell, Alfred William
Burt, Frederic Leslie
Buteau, Samuel Hall
Button, Fred Lawrence
Cahill, Patrick
Carman, Frank Vanoy
Cary, Albert B.
Christiansen, Jens Lauritsen
Chubb, Charles
Clark, William Amir
Cohen, Abraham S.
Cole, James Cairns
Cook, Frank Biglow
Cope, Harry Besby
Corder, Arthur Elmer
Corwin, Lewis Thornton
Cozzens, Arthur Eugene
Crandley, William John
Crelin, Thomas Arthur
Crooks, John Chisholm
Crossman, William Thomas
Cushing, Frank Worthy
Dailey, William Curtis
Dakin, Frederick Holroyd
Dallam, Fred Boothby
Dallerup, John
Dalton, Henry Phillip
Danuser, Peter
Davis, Judson Milton
Davis, Lucian Dwight
Degen, Ludolph Philip
DeGolia, George Ellis
De La Montanya, Harry Orton
Dibert, Wayne Clay
Doane, Raymond Orrin
Dodsworth, Robert Metcalf
Dondero, Aurelio George
Douglas, Charles Henry
Dubbs, Willis Snowden
Earl, Guy Chaffe
Edward, Ambrose Frederick
Emerson, Harry Wylie
Emigh, Thomas Powell
Evans, Charles
Ferrier, Francis
Finley, Dozier
Fisher, George Cresse
Flood, Alfred James
Foster, Newell Kelley
Francis, William Clair
French, Robert Ellsworth
Fulton, William
Geirrine, Charles Augustus
Gibson, Charles Luke
Gilbert, Ethan Allen
Glines, Herbert Atherton
Gompertz, Walter Alexander
Gotthelf, Aaron Solomon
Goodwin, George H.
Graham, Robert Grant
Granger, Farley Benjamin
Grau, Edward Arnold
Gray, George
Gray, George Adam
Gray, Roscoe Spaulding
Gregory, Calvin Levy
Hahn, Henry Casper
Hansen, Albert Lauritz
Hansen, Hans Peter
Hansen, Peter Christian
Harrigan, John William
Harper, Fred Fogg Gale
Harvard, Richard Daniel
Hayes, Daniel Edward
Heath, George Ralph
Heeseman, Charles John
Hellwig, George Peter
Hewes, Charles Leslie
Hewitt, Loren Gifford
Hill, Mangus Peter
Hill, Otis
Holmgren, John Alexander
Hopper, John Frederick
Horner, Charles F.
Howland, Eli

Hughes, Edward Floyd
Hume, William Robert
Hunt, Charles Melville
Jackson, Alton Cass
Jackson, Arthur Vincent
James, Edward Harrison
Jarvis, Charles Fitz Howard
Jenkins, William Norman
Johnson, Christian Ole
Jonas, Abraham
Jones, Algernon Sydney
Kales, Martin William
Keiser, Chris
Kelley, Alexander S.
Kelsey, John Edson
Kempkey, Augustus F. K.
Kendall, Alpheus
Knowland, Joseph
Knowland, Joseph Alexander
Kolze, Robert A. F.
Largersen, Walter H.
Lockett, Albert
Long, Charles Stuart
Longnecker, Harry Ellsworth
Logan, Walter Edward
Lord, Carlos Reuben
Loring, Ernest Linwood
Love, Thomas
Love, Charles Allen
Lutgen, George Vest
MacGregor, Charles M.
MacIntosh, James Thomas
MacLafferty, Charles P.
MacMurtry, William Samuel
Magill, Arthur Edward
Makins, Joseph Henry
Manuel, Walter Griswold
Mariotte, Paul Alonzo
Marlin, Henry B.
Martin, Daniel Wilkins
Martin, John
Mathiesen, Hans
Mauzy, Byron
May, Henry
McClymonds, John William
McGrew, Gifford Horace G.
McLaughlin, Charles Weldy
McNulty, Harry James
Merrill, Charles Sydney
Meek, Horry Wert
Meek, Rodolph Wallace
Meek, William Ellsworth
Meese, Constant
Meredith, James Washington
Metcalf, George Dickson
Metcalf, Solon Theres
Michaels, Henry
Mitchell, Claud Hamilton
Miller, Charles Howard
Miller, Thomas Irving
Minor, Robert
Mohr, George Lewis
Morris, Moses
Mosher, John William
Moseley, John Edward
Mott, Frank Kanning
Moulthrop, Carlton Francis
Moulthrop, Wiley Howard
Murphy, James Joseph
Nash, Chester Bell
Niehaus, Edward Ernest
Nordman, Artilus Fordnand
Nordman, Peter
Nutting, Charles Wilber
Nystrom, John Richard
O'Donnell, Francis Henry E.
Ohea, George Harvey
Oliver, Henry Andrew
O'Neill, Peter J.
Ott, Charles Frederick
Owen, William Henry Searls
Parsons, Albert S.
Patterson, Albert Louis C.
Perkins, George Edward
Perry, Andrew John
Phillips, John Waterman
Phillips, Henry Byron
Pierce, Charles Dexter
Piercy, Arthur Thomas
Platt, Samuel J.

Price, Wallace Covert
Prindle, Edward C.
Prowse, Charles
Ragland, William Beverly
Ramage, Andrew
Randall, Charles Wells
Redington, Charles Henry
Reist, Jay Harvey
Revalk, Richard Emil
Richardson, Friend William
Robins, John Harvey
Robinson, James Leman
Robertson, Daniel
Rodolph, Frank Bequette
Roeth, George
Rowles, William John
Russell, Thomas Bartlett
Rose, Burton James
Sandelin, Charles Frederick
Sargeant, Edward Lyman
Saunders, Nelson
Sellar, John
Schleuter, Otis William
Schleuter, Herman F.
Schrock, William H.
Schwarz, Henry
Scotchler, Joseph Lincoln
Scott, George Amos
Scott, John Walker
Servis, William Ratcliff
Sherwin, Mark
Slater, Urotes Major
Smith, Kirby Bounty
Spreckles, Richard
Staats, Remond Cyril
Standeford, William Burt
Starbuck, Henry Fletcher
Stephenson, William Albert
Stevenson, Edward Alexander
Stone, Louis Stanwood
Stromgren, Gustave Adolph
Strong, Milton Grosvener
Tayler, James Howard
Taylor, Guy
Thomas, George Henry
Thomas, Charles Goodwin
Thomas, Charles Edward
Thompson, Robert Crawford
Threlkeld, Melville Calvert
Treadwell, James Tufts
Tofflemier, Douglas Ulysses
Turner, Edward Quale
Vane, James Playford
Walker, Percy John
Walker, Albert Jay
Walsh, Edward Marion
Wanger, Gustave Adolph
Waste, William Harrison
Webster, Leander Rankin
Webster, Thomas Eugene
Weigt, William Albert
Weilbye, Julius Lars
Weilbye, William Hansen
Werner, Edward Peter
Westlake, Leonard John
Weston, William Pomroy
Wharff, William Hatch
Wilder, James Chase
Wilkes, Farrington
Wilkes, William E.
Williams, John
Winchell, Colvin S.
Wood, Herbert Anthony
Woodin, Eugene
Woolsey, Philip Sheridan
Wright, Cyrus Smith
Wyllie, Robert Peden
Yablonsky, John
Young, Roy Jackson—307

DIED.

Adam Francis Gunn
George Henry Payne
Hiram Sinclair Tuttle—3

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	293	Died	3
Greeted	17—310	Now borne upon the roll	307—310

GATEWAY COUNCIL, NO. 13.

AUBURN, PLACER COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Charles Oscar Hamilton, *T. I. M.*
William James Prewett, *D. I. M.*
Michael David Lininger, *P. C. W.*
Joseph Marie Francis, *Treasurer.*
John Gould Bisbee, *Recorder.*
William Isaac May, *C. of Guard.*
Arthur Reginald Green, *Conductor.*
Joseph Johnson, *Steward.*
Harry Julius Bower, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Jacob Hart Neff, *P. G. M.*
John Gould Bisbee, *P. G. M.*
John Mathias Fulweiler
Preston Washington Smith

SELECT MASTERS.

Akers, Charles Duval
Allen, George Eugene
Anderson, Albert Wallace
Anderson, William Craig
Bell, Joseph Vincent
Birdsall, Ernest Stratton
Boller, George Carl
Brown, Edward Doyle
Buchanan, Francis Jacques
Carlson, Charles
Chamberlain, Newell Day
Chappellet, Felix
Clement, Styles Kennedy
Coombs, William
Cowan, Gordon Robinson
Crafts, Forest Bowers
Cupples, Samuel Richmond
Curtis, Henry Crittenden
Davis, Frederick Calvin
Delano, Ira Lemuel
Disque, Henry
Duggan, Charles Martin
Falconer, Duncan
Fleming, Arthur Spencer
Fulton, Jonathan
Gladding, Albert James
Haenny, John
Harris, George J.
Hohfeld, Edward
Jansen, Hans Paulsen
Jansen, Walter
Kendall, Edward John
Kilborn, Harry Alden
Klumpp, Louis Frederick
La Kamp, John Henry
Lardner, William Bransen
Lee, William Grant
Lubeck, David Wlademer
Mardis, Benjamin Allen
Martin, Charles
Mathers, Joseph
McAninch, John

McAuley, George
McCracken, William James
Michael, Martin
Millard, George Ellis
Missner, Frank
Moore, John Thomas
Nicholls, William, Jr.
Owen, Hugh James
Pemberton, George Francis
Power, Harold Thomas
Richter, Christian Frederick
Robinson, Alexander Kelley
Rooney, Robert Fleming
Safford, John Coleman
Salzman, George Ernest
Schnabel, Carl Kenneth
Shane, Charles Nelson
Sparks, Earl Leland
Sparks, William Martin
Stevens, Amos
Stevens, Frederick Solon
Stevenson, Thomas
Treadwell, James Buchanan
Wallace, John
Woodard, John Carlton—79

WITHDRAWN.

William Albert Crowell—1

DIED.

Robert William Roberts
Alfred Lovell Smith—2

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
On roll per last report	67	Died	2
Greeted	15— 82	Now borne upon the roll	79— 82

SANTA ANA COUNCIL, NO. 14.

SANTA ANA, ORANGE COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

George Pliney Hill, *T. I. M.*
John Holt, *D. I. M.*
Emanuel Henry Luxton, *P. C. W.*
Ezekiel Bernard Smith, *Treasurer.*
George Akerman Whidden, *Recorder.*
Max Reinhaus, *C. of Guard.*
Julius Reinhaus, *Conductor.*
Fred W. Winslow, *Steward.*
George Eddie Robinson, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James William Towner
James Hedges Hall
Edwin Dumont Buss
Addison Crockett Bowers
Leonard Frank Harvey

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, John Nelson
Balcom, Bayles Greenwood
Ball, Charles Dexter
Beals, Albert
Berkenstock, William
Bradford, Albert Sumner
Braley, John Claude
Bruner, Francis Marion
Bundy, Milton John
Carr, John Lewis
Chilton, Jesse
Clark, George Crook
Clevenger, William Warren
Craig, Guy
Cushman, Ruggles Allerton
Decker, Willet S.
Deyoe, Frederick Theodore
Diers, Henry
Donovan, Napoleon
Dryer, John Lewis
Faust, George Andrew Willis
Frampton, George Reed
Ferguson, Joseph
Gamble, Austin Abram
Gilmaker, Joseph
Greeley, John Philip
Gregg, Walter Scott
Griffiths, George Whitfield, Jr.
Harding, Foster William
Hately, William
Haywood, John Saxton
Hill, Louis Hamilton
Hill, Samuel
Huffman, Robert Lincoln
Kellogg, Hiram Clay
Krick, Philip Herman
Laird, William Franklin
Lane, Martin Luther
Lee, Eugene Tewksbury
Lipking, Frederick William
Lovett, Charles Edward
Lutz, William Frederick
Marshall, John L.
Mason, William Bertle
McBride, Francis
McCarric, Franklin
McDonald, John Colvin
McFadden, Clarence Earl
McNeill, Christopher
McTaggart, Neil Godfrey
Medlock, James Randolph
Miles, George Francis
Mills, Ira D.
Monaghan, Francis
Morse, Charles Horace
Morse, Nathan Frank
Nichols, John Brown
Paine, James Robert
Parker, Charles Edward
Peters, George Edwin
Potter, William Gibbons
Preble, George Edward
Putnam, John Day
Richardson, Erwin Ellsworth
Royer, Daniel Franklin
Ruddock, Charles Edward
Saine, David Thomas
Scott, Walter Maxwell
Shaw, Linn Lee
Sinclair, William
Smith, Alan Fowler
Staley, Arthur
Sheats, Clarence Warren
Toothaker, George Dexter
Trago, Eli Brock
Trudo, Edward
Tyerman, Thomas Benton
Upham, Harry George
Visel, Augustus Jacob
Waffle, Edson Dwight
Wallace, Elmer S.
Wasser, Joseph Sylvester
Wasser, Wilbur Wellington
Wassum, Howard Allen
Watson, Kellar Ebenezer
Whitney, Mervin Newton

Whitson, Walter Verne
Wilkinson, Lawrence Smith
Woodford, Charles J.—103

WITHDRAWN.

Charles William Hannah
William Wilson Leithead—2

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Orin Harry Burke
Edwin Alonzo Honey
James Hager Hutt—3

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..	94	Withdrawn	2
Greeted	13	Suspended N. P. D.....	3
Affiliated	1—108	Now borne upon the roll	103—108

VENTURA COUNCIL, NO. 15.

VENTURA, VENTURA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Tuesday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

David John Reese, *T. I. M.*
William Edward Ready, *D. I. M.*
Christopher Wren Cannon, *P. C. W.*
George Cook, *Treasurer.*
Jacob Lewis Argabrite, *Recorder.*
Allan Polic Fraser, *C. of G.*
James Russell Walker, *Conductor.*
Robert Cowperwait Sudden, *Steward.*
Edward Elliott Dunning, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Frederick William Baker
Willis Phillip Lincoln
Richard Owen Robinson
David Rhodes Denison

SELECT MASTERS.

Alves, John
Barnes, Louis Lee
Blackstock Nehemiah
Burson, Edward Wright
Burson, George Washington
Burson, Willis
Carr, Earl
Carr, Philetus Sprague
Collins, John Stevenson
Day, James Allan
Ely, Martin Juda
Engstrom, Franz Otto
Giddings, Herbert Alvaro
Gosnell, Truman Barrick
Goodyear, William Ernest
Kilson, George Elmer
McGuire, William
Neel, Henry Harrison
Ogg, Thomas Daniels
Power, George Coffin

Rice, Thomas Alexander
Rowley, Charles Harvey
Starkweather, George Albert
Studley, Fred Danforth
Taggart, James William
Taylor, Arthur Wilson
Thompson, Mark
Turner, William Henry
Wittenmyer, John Lewis—42

WITHDRAWN.

William Preston Butcher
Edward Gardiner Dodge
Albert Perham Hardy
Park Wilfred Kauffman
Clarence Crosby Knight
Winfield Bradbury Metcalf
Charles Henry Misa—7

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..	47	Withdrawn	7
Greeted	2— 49	Now borne upon the roll	42— 49

PASADENA COUNCIL, NO. 16.

PASADENA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Albert Mercer, *T. I. M.*
William Bryant Edwards, *D. I. M.*
Edward Oscar Nay, *P. C. W.*
William Henry Vedder, *Treasurer.*
Louis Azel Bartlett, *Recorder.*
Walter Richard Gibbings, *C. of G.*
Charles Newton Stanley, *Conductor.*
Earl Warren Nay, *Steward.*
George Rasmus Weaver, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles Joseph Willett, *P. G. M.*
George Washington Skyrme
Oscar Otto Freeman
Benjamin Brooks Cartwright
Jefferson Carvosa Fraser

SELECT MASTERS.

Allen, Charles Emery
Allin, Thomas David
Ball, Benjamin Franklin
Beach, Fitz E.
Behlow, Irwin W. M.
Behlow, Robert Roscoe
Bonner, Lewis Henry
Buchanan, Charles Wesley
Campbell, James Hanford
Clarke, James
Coulston, John B.
Crump, Edward Sisson
Dawson, James Porter
Edwards, Albert Ernest
Edwards, Simon Josiah
Eisenauer, Michael
Ernsberger, Frank Armstrong
Frary, Leander Warren

Geohegan, Harry
Grimes, Charles
Hall, Peter
Hansen, Nels Peter
Hayes, Orrin Henry
Hughes, James Barr
Knight, William Franklin
May, Ernest Heath
Menning, Charles Edward
Meyer, Henry William
McDowell, Robert Snyder
McGregory, William Whitney
Packard, Elmer Charles
Porter, LaFayette Seward
Priaulx, Percival J.
Richardson, Warren Josiah
Rhodes, Charles Hilliard
Royce, Edward Henry
Sherry, Henry
Shibley, William
Skillen, Charles Moses
Slavin, Matthew
Smiley, Sumner Francis
Snudden, William Henry
Thomson, Henry Martin
Williams, Romayne
Williams, Robert Adrian—59

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Charles Thomas Sutton—1

EXCLUDED.

John Gormley Rossiter
William Tecumseh Sherman Smith—2

DIED.

John Martin Smith—1

RECAPITULATION.

		Suspended N. P. D.....	1
		Excluded	2
On roll per last report..	62	Died	1
Affiliated	1— 63	Now borne upon the roll	59— 63

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL, NO. 17.

SANTA CRUZ, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

William Hugus Keck, *T. I. M.*
Mark Webster, *D. I. M.*
Frank Mattison, *P. C. W.*
John Parker Twist, *Treasurer.*
Edward Swift West, *Recorder.*
Benjamin Anthony Plant, *C. of G.*
Edward J. Harran, Conductor.
Harry Clay Cooper, Steward.
Perry Clark Tucker, *Chaplain.*
George Washington Wells, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Thompson Wilson Drullard
Silas Foulk Hoopes

SELECT MASTERS.

Aydelotte, Charles Leon
Aydelotte, William Mack
Bias, William Henry
Clements Rob Richardson
Drennan, Ryland
Fifield, Daniel Black
Folsom, Cathers Drummond
Gebhart, Charles Albert
Hall, Henry Drescher
Hapgood, Alfred Adams
Harrington, George Henry
Hinkle, Charles Devault
Johnson, Walter Lloyd
Jolliffe, Worth Worthington
Lorenzen, Lawrence
Loucks, Don Alexander
Mackinnon, James Bowie
McCreary, Thomas Guy
Montell, George Alfred
Read, William Miles
Rostron, George Henry
Severio, John
Staubes, Charles
Stearns, Frank Wilcox
Taylor, John Alexander
Trafton, Howard Valentine
Tooze, William Clarence
Willey, Henry
Wilson, Edgar Miles—41

WITHDRAWN.

Alison Alberti Cox—1

EXCLUDED.

Edwin Clyde Heard—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..	35	Withdrawn	1
Greeted	7	Expelled	1
Affiliated	1— 43	Now borne upon the roll	41— 43

FRESNO COUNCIL, NO. 18.

FRESNO, FRESNO COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Wiley James Tinnin, *T. I. M.*
Berry Madison Hague, Jr., *D. I. M.*
Joseph George Martin, *P. C. W.*
Brenton Jarvis Metzler, *Treasurer.*
Ardie Lee Smith, *Recorder.*
George Washington Smith, *C. of Guard.*
Emil Frederick Bernhard, *Conductor.*
William Henry Puleston, *Steward.*
Mills Ely, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Wiley James Tinnin

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, Gus Walter
Anderson, John Quincy
Barrett, Charles William
Burks, William Tillman
Borchers, Herman Henry
Burnham, Floyd Stephen Kenny
Cearley, Charles Talant
Cosgrave, George
Clark, Albert Bazzle
Chaddock, Emory Gilbert
Everts, Olen Lee
Gray, William Alonzo
Homan, Frank Andrew
Hersey, Augustus Melville
Hendrix, Jay Ward
Hawkins, Henry Edwin
Hoffman, John L.
Hogg, Victor Forest
Kittrell, William Joseph
Lisenby, Augustus Vespasian
Ludvigsen, Peter Erich
Miles, William Oscar
Munger Albert Luke
Monroe, George Hays
Munn, Charles Anderson
Mootz, Herman Edwin
McClurg, James Allen, Sr.
Noble, Jay Preston
Pierce, Charles Sheldon
Pedreira, Antonio Freitas
Riege, Charles Henry
Ralston, Elza Clark
Rudy, Henry Vernon
Shoemaker, Walter
Swift, Harvey Whalen
Smith, Anson Burlingame
Shepherd, Benjamin Franklin
Sherman, Walter Nathan
Thomas, Montgomery
Wahlberg, Arthur Gustave
Wishon, Albert Graves
Walter, Charles Lewis—51

DIED.

Edwin Reed Graham—1

RECAPITULATION.

	Died 1
On roll per last report.. 52	Now borne upon the roll 51— 52

SANTA BARBARA COUNCIL, NO. 19.

SANTA BARBARA, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Albert Perham Hardy, *T. I. M.*
William Preston Butcher, *D. I. M.*
Edward Gardner Dodge, *P. C. W.*
Winfield Bradbury Metcalf, *Treasurer.*
Charles Oscar Garretson, *Recorder.*
Charles Devin Fairbanks, *C. of Guard.*
Charles Ellsworth Kenyon, *Conductor.*
Charles Philip Reynolds, *Steward.*
Samuel Manchester, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles Devin Fairbanks
Albert Perham Hardy

SELECT MASTERS.

Abels, Henry John
Baylies, Frederick Henry
Beatty, Harry Wilson
Conant, Frank Adelbert
Cornwall, James Tod
Crane, Jabeth Tunis
Eaves, Albert Thomas
Edmondson, Alfred Robert
Fairbanks, Harlan
Farnum, Eugene Oscar
Faulding, Mervin Coulter
Frost, Samuel
Grant, William Richard
Grant, Alexander Charles
Grenzin, John Andrew
Hayward, William Richard
Johnston, John Thompson
Kahles, Frank
Knight, Clarence Crosby
Misa, Charles Henry
Moore, Ellis Passmore
Morse, William Henry
Pyster, John Neal
Ricketts, Summerfield Tippett
Slosson, Willis Martin
Smith, Frederick John
Thomas, Benjamin Franklin
Todd, Charles Edward
Wilson, Jerome Calvin—38

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report.. 34
Greeted ..... 4— 38 Now borne upon the roll—38

SAN JOSE COUNCIL, NO. 20.

SAN JOSE, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, third Friday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Charles Bertie Gleason, *T. I. M.*
Zibeon Orison Field, *D. I. M.*
Sanford Lord Bacon, *P. C. W.*
Irving Lamphry Ryder, *Treasurer.*
Frank Giorza King, *Recorder.*
Paul Sibley Williams, *C. of G.*
Orrin Arthur Harlan, *Conductor.*
Percy Stewart Regnart, Steward.
William Henry Lamrock, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Alexander January

SELECT MASTERS.

Alexander, Howard Augustus
Alexander, William Gay
Anticevich, Anton G.
Barber, Lawrence Evans
Chickovich, John George
Collins, Jefferson

Cox, Jacob Milon
Crabb, Allie Louis
Davy, John William
Devine, Everett Bee
Doerr, Frederick
Erbentraut, Irven Stephen
Fry, H. Ray
Hamilton, Edward George
Hapgood, Alfred Adams
Heple, Theodore F.
Hill, Henrie Granville
Ickes, Daniel W.
Jackson, Lewis
Knight, Isaac Allinson
Ledyard, Henry Horatio
Lee, Robert Alexander
Lint, Peter Franklin
McCoy, Luther Addison
Montgomery, Seymour Thomas
Rhodes, Jay Cloyd Barris
Richmond, George Andrew
Roberts, Franklin Henry
Robertson, Richard Felix
Russell, William
Schemmel, Frank Phiester
Smith, Peter Baer
Smith, Walter Matthew
Trogden, Wiley Hudelston
Tuthill, Joseph Brown Thomas
Wagener, Samuel Hopkins
Willi, John Daniel
Winans, Claude Ownby
Woodrow, William Lorkin—49

RECAPITULATION.

Petitioners for Dispensation	10	
Greeted	36	
Affiliated	3— 49	Now borne upon the roll—49

POMONA COUNCIL, NO. 21.

POMONA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Joseph Relton Garthside, *T. I. M.*
Charles Clark Huff, *D. I. M.*
Sherman Leroy Strock, *P. C. W.*
William Arthur McCormick, *Treasurer.*
Frank Webster Thomas, *Recorder.*
James Albert Dole, *C. of Guard.*
William Roland Hudson, *Conductor.*
———————— *Steward.*
Orion Austin Warner, *Sentinel.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Avis, Americus Benezetta
Browne, Fred Alfred
Clark, Charles
Cox, Joseph Harris
Dole, Arthur Macdonald
Fredendall, Thomas Benton
Freemire, Wellington Arthur
Fitch, Joseph Ahira
Ford, Charles Benjamin
Ford, William Mitchel

Geer, Francis Herman
Graham, Fred Eugene
Hausler, Frank Ernest
Hotchkiss, Edward Arminius
Houston, John
Hyatt, Frank Henry
Kauffman, Park Wilford
Kennedy, Henry Clayton
Lewis, Fred Rice
Lewis, Walter Atwood
Ludden, Jerome Adelbert
Matthews, Lee Rex
Moore, Albert Dean
Nichols, Allen Penfield
Nichols, Hervey James
Phelps, Charles Austin
Rarick, John
Stanton, John Edward
Stone, Charles Stone
Teague, David Clinton
Todd, Walter Brewster
Weigle, Charles Fred
Welch, Everett Haskell
Wyman, Francis George—42

RECAPITULATION.

Petitioners for Dispensation	9	
Greeted	32	
Affiliated	1— 42	Now borne upon the roll—42

OROVILLE COUNCIL, NO. 22.

OROVILLE, BUTTE COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Harry Jacoby, *T. I. M.*
Elwood Mansfield McKusick, *D. I. M.*
James Milne Park, *P. C. W.*
Roger Sylvester Kitrick, *Treasurer.*
Samuel Samuel Simon, *Recorder.*
Edward Wakeham, *C. of Guard.*
Francis Marion Steadman, *Conductor.*
Charles Henry Johnson, *Steward.*
Willis Howard Patterson, *Sentinel.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Aaronson, George Drexler
Aaronson, George Cahoon
Arnold, Theodore Henry
Bechtel, Warren A.
Blood, Richard Pearson
Boalt, Eben
Chatfield, Charles Edwin
Cornell, Lloyd Power
Ellis, Clarence Eugene
Fagan, James Porter
Gingles, William Wilson
Green, Lewis Lincoln
Hall, William Sweetser
Hamlyn, John Joseph

Haselbusch, Henry William
Henn, William Theophilus
Hoffart, Charles Andrew
Hogan, John Harvey
Johnson, August
Lausen, Henry Dutliff
McGill, James Helm
Miles, John Henry
Powers, Robert Sutherland
Reed, Henry Gibson
Sangster, Joseph Edwin
Stapleton, Robert George
Wattis, Edmund Orson
Whiting, Eugene Carlisle
Whiting, Frank Moore—38

RECAPITULATION.

Petitioners for Dispensation	9	
Greeted	28	
Affiliated	1— 38	Now borne upon the roll—38

LIST OF COUNCILS

With a Summary of their Returns for the Year Ending January 31, 1909

	NAME OF COUNCILS	No. of Council	Greeted	Affiliated	Restored	Withdrawn	Excluded	Suspended N. P. D.	Suspended for unmasonic conduct	Expelled	Died	Number of members.	DUES TO GRAND COUNCIL
1	SACRAMENTO	1	17	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	237	$135 50
2	CALIFORNIA	2	15	1	2	3	3	3	.....	.....	7	354	192 00
3	MARYSVILLE	3	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	36	18 00
	*SIERRA NEVADA	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	SONORA	5	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	2	90	48 00
5	SHASTA	6	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42	26 00
	*VIRGINIA	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	*YREKA	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	HELENA	9	3	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	30 00
7	STOCKTON	10	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	114	83 00
8	LOS ANGELES	11	54	2	1	5	5	.....	.....	.....	12	579	343 50
9	OAKLAND	12	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	307	170 50
10	GATEWAY	13	15	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	79	54 50
11	SANTA ANA	14	13	1	.....	2	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	103	64 50
12	VENTURA	15	2	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42	23 00
13	PASADENA	16	.....	1	.....	.....	2	1	.....	.....	1	59	29 50
14	SANTA CRUZ	17	7	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	41	27 50
15	FRESNO	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	51	25 50
16	SANTA BARBARA	19	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38	23 00
17	SAN JOSE	20	36	A.13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49	60 50
18	POMONA	21	32	B 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42	53 00
19	OROVILLE	22	28	C 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38	47 00
	TOTALS		277	39	3	23	12	11	.....	1	42	2355	$1454 50

*Charter surrendered. Petitioners for Dispensation, A. 10. B. 9. C. 9. Gain 230.

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Arkansas	W. Frank Pierce	1000 Chestnut St., S. F.
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Colorado		
Connecticut	Frederick Ferdinand Barss	Placerville
England and Wales	Amasa W. Bishop	Red Bluff
Florida	Henry Sayre Orme	Los Angeles
Georgia	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles
Illinois	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles
Indiana	David M. Sutherland	Los Angeles
Iowa	Albert H. Merritt	Oakland
Kansas	Henry Ascroft	San Francisco
Kentucky	Chas. Joseph Willett	Pasadena
Louisiana	August Wackerbarth	Los Angeles
Maine	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco
Maritime Prov., N. B	John A. Britton	Oakland
Maryland	Charles Willis Norton	Stockton
Massachusetts	Franklin Henry Day	San Francisco
Michigan	William Monroe Petrie	Sacramento
Minnesota	John Gould Bisbee	Auburn
Mississippi	Robert Ash	San Francisco
Missouri	George Penlington	San Francisco
Nebraska	James William Towner	Santa Ana
New Hampshire	Edward Richards Hedges	Oakland
New Jersey	Wm. Henry Gaynor	Los Angeles
New York	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco
North Carolina	John Francis Hughes	Los Angeles
Ohio	James Hedges Hall	Santa Ana
Oklahoma	Wm. Hewson Davis	Sacramento
Oregon	Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt	Redwood City
Pennsylvania	Edward Richards Hedges	Oakland
Rhode Island	Wm. Ohmer Girardey	Sacramento
South Carolina	James Bestor Merritt	Oakland
Tennessee	Henry Sayre Orme	Los Angeles
Texas	Henry Sayre Orme	Los Angeles
Vermont	William Abraham Davies	110 Sutter St., San Francisco
Washington	David W. Lubeck	Auburn
Wisconsin	Thompson Wilson Drullard	Santa Cruz

GRAND OFFICERS

ELECTED SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND COUNCIL, JUNE 26, A. DEP. 2860

1860.

*Isaac Davis .....*Grand Master.*
*William Caldwell Belcher .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Adolphus Hollub .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*James Lawrence English .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1861.

*William Caldwell Belcher .....*Grand Master.*
*Adolphus Hollub .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*James Lawrence English *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Isaac Sutvene Titus .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1862.

*Adolphus Hollub .....*Grand Master.*
*Isaac Sutvene Titus .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Abraham Davies .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*John Ashby Tutt .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1863.

*Isaac Sutvene Titus.....*Grand Master.*
William Abraham Davies.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Anderson Seavy.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Charles L. Danielson .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1864.

William Abraham Davies .....*Grand Master.*
*Anderson Seavy .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Louis Cohn .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
William Alexander January ....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1865.

*Anderson Seavy .....*Grand Master.*
*Louis Cohn .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Alexander January ....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1866.

*James Lawrence English .....*Grand Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1867.

*Alvin Bacon Preston .....*Grand Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*William Franklin Knox .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1868.

*Joseph Isaacs .....*Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Franklin Knox .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Stephen Wing .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1870.

Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Grand Master.*
*Stephen Wing .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Leonard Gross .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Thomas Kyle .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1871.

*Stephen Wing .....*Grand Master.*
*Thomas Kyle .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1872.

*Thomas Kyle .....*Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1873.

*William Thomas Reynolds .....*Grand Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1874.

*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Grand Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Edmund Taylor Wilkins .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1875.

Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Monroe Petrie .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1876.

Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Monroe Petrie .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1877.

*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Grand Master.*
William Monroe Petrie .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
Edward Richards Hedges .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1878.

William Monroe Petrie .....*Grand Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Edward Richards Hedges .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*John William Rock .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1879.

*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Master.*
Edward Richards Hedges .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*John William Rock .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Daniel Potter Bystle .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1880.

Edward Richards Hedges .....*Grand Master.*
*John William Rock .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Daniel Potter Bystle .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
George Alexander McKenzie .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1881.

EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES .....*Grand Master.*
*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1882.

*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK .....*Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1883.

*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE .....*Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM ....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1884.

GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Grand Master.*
FRANKLIN HENRY DAY .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM ....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
LEMUEL TRESCOTT CRANE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1885.

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY .....*Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM ....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES LORD FIELD .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1886.

CHARLES LORD FIELD .....*Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1887.

CHARLES LORD FIELD .....*Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1888.

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1889.

*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1890.

W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1891.

W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1892.

W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1893.

*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1894.

GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1895.

*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1896.

WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS .....*Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1897.

HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1898.

ROBERT ASH .....*Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*JACOB HART NEFF.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1899.

AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Grand Master.*
*JACOB HART NEFF.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH ....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1900.

*JACOB HART NEFF.....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH ....*Deputy Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1901.

WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH ....*Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1902.

JOHN GOULD BISBEE .....*Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1903.

ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT .....*Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*EDUARD KEIL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1904.

DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND .....*Grand Master.*
*EDUARD KEIL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1905.

*EDUARD KEIL .....*Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1906.

CHARLES J. WILLETT .....*Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR..... *Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1907.

CHARLES WILLIS NORTON .....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1908.

WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR..... *Grand Master.*
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1909.

WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY..... *Grand Master.*
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT.... *Grand. Prin. Con. of Work.*

*Deceased.

MEMBERSHIP

IN THE

GRAND COUNCILS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

GRAND COUNCILS	MEMBERSHIP	REPORT AS PER
Alabama	463	1907
Arkansas	333	1907
California	2,355	1909
Colorado	648	1908..
Connecticut	4,643	1908
Florida	161	1906
Georgia	1,002	1907
Illinois	4,946	1907
Indiana	4,955	1907
Indian Territory	377	1908
Iowa	906	1907
Kansas	1,267	1908
Kentucky	1,352	1907
Louisiana	405	1906
Maine	3,862	1907
Maryland	1,080	1907
Massachusetts	7,289	1907
Michigan	6,783	1908
Minnesota	1,104	1908
Mississippi	1,886	1908
Missouri	1,683	1908
Nebraska	1,092	1906
New Hampshire	2,069	1908
New Jersey	778	1908
New York	4,724	1907
North Carolina	367	1908
Ohio	11,117	1908
Oregon	436	1908
Pennsylvania	4,731	1909
Rhode Island	1,772	1906
South Carolina	216	1908
Tennessee	802	1908
Texas	12,580	1908
Vermont	1,351	1908
Washington	690	1907
Wisconsin	2,571	1908
Subordinate Councils reported to the General Grand Council	352	1905
Total Membership in the United States and Territories	93,148	

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

ALABAMA.

1908.

The Grand Council of Alabama assembled for the Seventy-first Session in the city of Montgomery, November 30, 1908, all the Grand Officers being present except Conductor of Council.

There were also present five Past Grand Masters and the representatives of eight Councils.

Grand Master said: "The financial panic and political agitation has drawn away active interest from the Craft, and the work of the Council has consequently suffered. This inactivity caused me to abandon my intention of visiting each subordinate Council, being afraid that the results would not justify the efforts."

This reminds us that in 1896, a year of financial depression far exceeding anything we have had since, and during a period of political controversy seldom equalled, it was our fortune to be at the head of an allied Masonic organization, and continued effort and visitations throughout the State produced results beyond our fondest expectations, adding fifty per cent to our numbers, and a large number of new bodies. We believe that if the Grand Master had carried out his original intentions, and "then a little more," giving to the winds his fears, he would have accomplished much for the Rite, and the showing of Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder would have been quite different.

In spite of all that has been said, he seems to lean on that broken reed—Pre-requisition. Nay, it is but the thin ghost even of a broken reed. And yet a committee was appointed to urge the matter on the Grand Commandery of Alabama, when every Templar knows that the Grand Commanderies have no power to consider it in any way. A committee on work was appointed with power to give the degrees at any place where a class can be gathered together, the candidates having been regularly elected in a Council, they agreeing to become members of such Council.

With the right men on the committee, this may prove beneficial, but care needs to be exercised in carrying out such a scheme.

The mortality among the Alabama Councils has been terrible, seven having died where one survives, and among the living, one only has the appearance of health and vitality.

Eight Councils; 438 members.

WALTER SMITH, Tuscaloosa, Grand Master; GEO. A. BEAUCHAMP, Montgomery, Grand Recorder.

ARKANSAS.

1908.

The Forty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of Arkansas was held in the city of Little Rock, November 20, 1908.

Present: All the Grand Officers except Grand Marshal. Seven Past Grand Masters answered to roll call, and ten Councils were represented.

Grand Master's address was short, but to the point. He says:

"Those of us who have seen the completion of the designs upon the Trestle Board should never forget what it meant to us, and we should be zealous in getting others to share with us in this glory. * * * *

"The hand of avarice will not always prevail, nor the greed of gold always be the theme upon which men will dwell, to the neglect of the higher and nobler things of life. The time will come when man will seek his heavenly appointed sphere, to know more of the relation between his soul and God, and then it will be that the beauty and splendor of these grand principles will become the goal for which men will strive, and its influence will throw a halo of such dazzling splendor throughout the earth that it will be bounded only by the outer circle of the globe, and then every man will call every man his brother."

One Council, long dormant, was revived; two dispensations to communicate degrees were issued, and one visit made.

Peace and harmony everywhere, and no decisions asked for. A blessed state of affairs.

Grand Master on noting the coronation of Comp. Hempstead, a poet laureate of Freemasonry, pays an eloquent tribute to that distinguished Companion, to which we add a hearty Amen.

The reports of Grand Officers and the several committees show that the Cryptic Rite is in a healthy condition, though not increasing as much as might be desired or might be the case if stronger efforts were made. We regret that Comp. Hempstead has prepared no report on Correspondence. He gives instead a few pages of extracts from the writings of Comp. Martenis, Warvelle and Rugg on the origin of the Rite.

Twelve Councils; 420 members.

DURAND WHIPPLE, Little Rock, Grand Master; FAY HEMPSTEAD, Little Rock, Grand Recorder.

COLORADO.

1908.

The Grand Council of Colorado held its Fourteenth Annual Assembly in the city of Denver, September 23, 1908.

The Grand Marshal and Grand Steward were absent. The other

Grand Officers, with six Past Grand Masters and the representatives of twelve Councils composed Grand Council.

Grand Master reported the constitution of one new Council and one visitation. This seeming neglect was not entirely the fault of the Grand Master.

The Councils did not seem anxious to see him, the members were too busy to turn out, and he was too tender-hearted to have them summoned.

It seems to us that there ought to be some means of stirring up these busy people, let them take a needed rest and get to Council once or twice a year.

Still, in spite of all the drawbacks, a net gain of fifty-seven was noted.

Denver Council, at the request of Grand Master, conferred the S. E. degree on the evening preceding the meeting of the Grand Council. It was done as it should be; no horseplay or foolishness.

There is no report on Correspondence.

Twelve Councils; 648 members.

GEO. L. SITES, Denver, Grand Master; ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER, Denver, Grand Recorder.

CONNECTICUT.

1908.

All of the Grand Officers were present when the roll of the Grand Council of Connecticut was called for the ninetieth time, in the city of Hartford, May 13, 1908.

Eleven Past Grand Masters were present and all of twenty-three Councils were represented.

Eleven dispensations represented most of the work of the Grand Master. These were chiefly for the purpose of receiving and acting on petitions at called meetings, and holding stated meetings at dates other than those prescribed by the By-laws. He also made four visitations.

Other Grand Officers visited other Councils, and the consensus of opinion was that the Councils and the Rite generally were in a good condition.

A committee of five was appointed on recommendation of Grand Master to revise the Ritual.

Comp. BARLOW presented his thirteenth report on Correspondence, hoping that the number would not be unlucky. Alas, we shall hear from him no more. Since writing this report he has laid down his trenchant pen, and has received permission from the Supreme Grand Master to enter the 9th Arch. His counterfeit presentment adorns the proceedings, and the Grand Master in a tribute of respect says:

"His influence upon Masonry will long be felt, for his works do follow him."

He notices California, 1907, in his report, and quotes Grand Master Willett on the destruction of the old Temple. He regrets that Connecticut was not noticed in our 1907 report, but we had a good reason for the omission—the Connecticut Proceedings did not reach us.

Twenty-three Councils; 4,643 members.

STEPHEN P. GOODSELL, Winsted, Grand Master; JAMES MCCORMICK, Hartford, Grand Recorder.

ENGLAND AND WALES.

1908.

The Annual Assembly of this Grand Council was held in Mark Master's Hall, Great Queen street, London, March 19, 1908, under the direction of Deputy Grand Master ABRAHAM WOODIWISS.

Grand Recorder MATIER made a short report, announcing the death of several Ill. Companions, among them the Grand Master of Scotland, Comp. DAL.

Forty-five Companions have been added to the roll during the year, the total number at date being 1,234.

Comp. WOODIWISS having been re-appointed Deputy Grand Master, and Comp. DORMAN re-elected Grand Treasurer, the full corps of officers were *invested.*

The usual honorarium of £10 was voted to the Grand Recorder, and Grand Council was closed in Ample Form.

Full tables of membership are given. It is hard for us in America to understand how Councils can live with the limited membership shown by these returns.

Twenty Councils; 1,234 members.

The EARL OF EUSTON, Grand Master; C. F. MATIER, Grand Recorder

GEORGIA.

1908.

The Sixty-fifth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Georgia was held in the city of Macon, April 28, 1908. All Grand Officers except Marshal being present. Four Past Grand Masters appeared, and twenty-two Councils were represented.

Grand Master, in his address, says:

"We may talk about love, talk about friendship, but unless every man within the sound of my voice is willing to subordinate his own selfish inclination to the demand of true Masonic instinct he has no right to be here."

Again: "Skeptics and atheists may wrangle and dispute about details and dogmas and scientific discussions, but the pulsing heart of the great struggling mass of humanity will always demand its God,

and Masonry will stand ready to minister to that demand. So let us not waiver in our faith, nor falter in our hopes, discouragements are but fleeting shadows. When the midnight hour strikes on one side of the earth it is midday on the other. The sun always shines somewhere."

One new Council was constituted, charter was restored to one, and forfeited by one.

Grand Recorder does not seem to have made any report, that duty having been performed by the Committee on Finance and Returns. Many of the Councils appear to have been negligent in their duties, and we are unable to find any report of the number of companions in the thirty Councils of this jurisdiction.

There is no report on Correspondence.

J. C. POSTELL, Savannah, Grand Master; W. A. WOLIHIN, Macon, Grand Recorder.

ILLINOIS.

1908.

The Grand Council of Illinois held its Fifty-sixth Annual Assembly in the city of Canton, September 9, 1908, all Grand Officers being present except Treasurer.

Thirteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of twenty-seven Councils completed Grand Council. The Chaplain's opening prayer we find printed in the proceedings.

Grand Master had issued a large number of dispensations, all without fee or reward. Had visited some twenty-five Councils, and made a number of recommendations, some of which ought to have been incorporated in the original Constitution and Laws of the Grand Council, and to have been in effect during all its existence.

One new Council was instituted in the city of Chicago, which had already greeted 140 companions. Two Councils had surrendered their charters.

Illinois deplores the loss of Ill. Comp. GIL W. BARNARD, well known to all who have attended Gen. Grand Bodies. We formed his acquaintance many years ago, and can say Amen to all the good things spoken of him.

Comp. G. W. WARVELLE, long the representative of Illinois in the Correspondence circle, was elected to succeed him as Grand Recorder.

California for some reason was too late and gets no mention in Comp. WARVELLE'S 1908 report. He quotes Comp. HEMPSTEAD'S defense of the Arkansas habit of conferring degrees in Grand Council, and says: "There may be arguments, and even good arguments in a bad cause." Under Connecticut, he asks whether the candidate greeted in Grand Council by the officers of Harmony Council is a member of Grand Council or a non-affiliate. Comp. BARLOW in Connecticut 1908 rather

sharply replies that Connecticut is not in the habit of manufacturing non-affiliates, that Harmony Council was regularly opened in presence of Grand Council, and that the candidate is a member of Harmony Council. How it is in Grand Council we cannot say, but we do know that the Grand Lodge of Connecticut formerly "manufactured" non-affiliates. When we received the Blue Lodge degrees, in Connecticut, nearly fifty years ago, we were informed that we were a Mason, and could apply to the lodge in which we received the degrees or to any other lodge for membership, and as we were about to leave the State we received some sort of a certificate, by virtue of which we affiliated with a lodge in Illinois. Under Kentucky, he quotes Comp. GRANT's criticism on the "healing" of an Illinois Comp. who desired to visit a Michigan Council, and says "It is an indignity." We of California long ago decided that a Comp. in good and regular standing in a Council held under any Grand Council with which we hold fraternal relations is a good enough Comp. for us, no matter how he received the degrees. Formerly we healed Texas Comps., but now that the Grand Council of Texas has been resurrected we shall do so no more. He asks, under Maine, if "moderate hilarity" is permissible in conferring the S. E. degree, since a committee reported that there was no occasion for "excessive hilarity." We have never seen any reason for hilarity in any degree of Masonry, and it would seem that the occurrences exemplified in the S. E. degree call for mourning rather than rejoicing. He takes the Grand Master of Pennsylvania to task for making a Comp. "at sight," simply to keep the prerogative from falling into innocuous desuetude.

Early in the Masonic history of California we sat down emphatically on a Grand Master of Masons who exercised that so-called prerogative, and it has never been heard of since in this Jurisdiction.

He gives a history of the S. E. degree in Illinois, and by way of variety gives the invitation issued by Palestine Council and the historical lecture given at the conferring the degree. Comp. WARVELLE loses a little of his acute angularity with advancing age. We all tend toward mellowing down as we approach the end of the path, but WARVELLE's reviews are none the less instructive.

Fifty-five Councils; 5,768 members.

CHARLES D. CLARKSON, Peoria, Grand Master; GEO. W. WARVELLE, Chicago, Grand Recorder.

INDIANA.

1908.

The Grand Council of Indiana held its Fifty-third Annual Assembly in the city of Indianapolis, October 20, 1908.

Present: All Grand Officers except Sentinel. Eighteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of fifty-nine Councils.

Grand Master paused in his address while Grand Chaplain offered prayer, then continuing, said:

"If in the days of the year that is past we have failed to get a higher, deeper, broader view of life, with its privileges and duties, then I fear we have failed in our attendance, and our study of the great lessons taught us in the ceremony of our beautiful Order."

He rejoiced in the great prosperity of the year, a gain in membership of 401—the largest in the history of the Grand Council.

No visits were reported, and but few dispensations.

South Bend Council was constituted, and greeted the largest number of candidates in the history of Cryptic Masonry in Indiana.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported that one of the Grand Master's decisions was useless, none being required to permit a Council to move from one hall to another in the same town or city.

Comp. MORDHURST keeps up his reputation as a reviewer. He notices California 1907, criticises our P. G. M.'s jewel (we won't quarrel with him over that), and wonders if we ever knew a dyspeptic of 193 pounds.

As we have exceeded that by 30 pounds for forty years, we can't speak from experience.

Speaking of his neighbor, WARVELLE, he says that they are the best of friends, but that neither of them can resist the temptation to hit the other when opportunity offers. We will call their blows "love taps" and say no more.

We second his motion that WARVELLE explain what he means by "having the ——— books 'attenuated.'"

He looks askance at the patronizing air of Oklahoma (377 members) as she welcomes the baby Texas (12,580 members) in the Council fold. Under Kentucky, he calls Comp. GRANT a bad name, *obtuse*. That is pretty near fighting language, but, possibly, appropriate in this instance.

We have seen degrees conferred in the bodies from the Blue Lodge up, or *down* if you like, so poorly that communication by a fairly good reader would give a much better appreciation both of the work and the lesson embodied therein.

Under South Carolina, he says: "Robert S. Brown, Edinburgh, Scotland, has been 'gone away' for twenty years and has become a standing joke with Grand Recorders." Now in September, 1902, we had a very pleasant visit of a couple of hours with Robert S. Brown, in Edinburgh, Scotland, and found him an intelligent and active Mason, very much alive.

Much more interesting matter is found in Comp. MORDHURST's report, but time is short and space is limited, and we must bid him farewell for this time.

Sixty-three Councils; 5,456 members.

CHARLES N. MIKELS, New Castle, Grand Master, CALVIN W. PRATHER, Indianapolis, Grand Recorder.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

1908.

On April 22, 1908, in the city of McAlister, the Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Indian Territory met for the fourteenth and last time. Deputy Grand Master, Conductor of Council, and Marshal failed to put in an appearance. The remaining Grand Officers, seven Past Grand Masters, and representatives from nine Councils composed Grand Council.

Grand Master reported that the two new Councils chartered at the last session had been constituted and were at work. He had issued three dispensations. Also he recommended the change of name necessitated by the change to a State government as Oklahoma. This recommendation was referred to a committee who reported favorably, but constitutional requirements compelled postponement of action till the next Annual Assembly.

Comp. KNEISLEY gives a peculiar report on Correspondence, which we recommend to the careful consideration of the circle. Perhaps he accomplishes in a small compass that which many of us spread over many pages. He gives Comp. MARTENI's "History of the Cryptic Rite" with WARVELLE's German and French Traditions.

Farewell Indian Territory. Welcome Oklahoma.

Ten Councils; 377 members.

ROBERT H. HENRY, Ardmore, Grand Master; J. S. MURROW, Atoka, Grand Recorder.

KANSAS.

1908.

The Fortieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Kansas was held in the city of Topeka, February 17, 1908.

Grand Steward and Grand Sentinel absent on account of sickness. All other Grand Officers were present. Thirteen Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of ten Councils answered to roll call.

Grand Master receives the prize for shortest address.

He had instituted one new Council and issued a few dispensations. No visits reported.

The new Council chartered as Wyandotte, No. 6, is a resurrection of an old Council dead and buried some years ago.

The various committees reported all well in their several spheres of action. The necessary appropriations were made. The sick Grand Sentinel was remembered $100 worth, and Grand Council closed.

Comp. WM. M. SHAVER presented his ninth report on Correspondence. California being first on the docket, has a full page. He gives one of his best reports, quoting from Grand Masters, Grand Recorders, and Correspondents quite freely, adding his comments, which seem just

and well considered. But at the last comes something we don't like a little bit. He announces that this is his last report. Doubtless his reasons are good, but that don't make the rest of us feel any better. We can only hope that he may have a worthy successor, to whom, in advance, we assure a hearty welcome.

Twelve Councils; 1,267 members.

WM. FRANK MARCH, Lawrence, Grand Master; ALBERT K. WILSON, Topeka, Grand Recorder.

KENTUCKY.

1908.

The Grand Council of Kentucky assembled for the Eighty-first time on October 19, 1908, in the city of Louisville. All the Grand Officers being present, with twenty Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of twenty-six Councils.

Grand Master's address, though in a minor key, showed good work done.

Three new Councils organized, some visits made, and the usual duties of Grand Master well performed. He recommended that Grand Council hereafter meet at a different time and place from Grand Lodge, the business of the greater body occupying the attention of members to the exclusion of Council affairs. Also that representatives to Grand Council have some compensation, even if Grand Recorder and Reporter starves on awhile longer. We have sometimes wished that we lived in Kentucky, but now we feel satisfied with California.

A joint committee of Grand Chapter and Grand Council presented a report practically adopting the Texas plan, requiring a petition and fee for Council to accompany all petitions for Chapter degrees; also providing for meetings in March instead of October. Action on this report was laid over for one year, awaiting action by Grand Chapter.

Hiram Council exemplified the S. E. degree, with certain additions from Massachusetts and Ohio, which additions were formally adopted by Grand Council.

Whether owing to the "squeeze" proposed by Grand Master or other reasons the usual "Report on the doings of other Grand Councils" by Comp. GRANT is missing, much to our regret. Don't let this occur again.

At low twelve Grand Council closed in Ample Form.

Thirty-four Councils; 1,578 members.

WM. E. BOARD, Paris, Grand Master; HENRY B. GRANT, Louisville, Grand Recorder.

MAINE.

1908.

The Fifty-fourth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Maine convened May 6, 1908, in the city of Portland. None of the Grand

Officers were missing. Eleven Past Grand Masters sought the S. V., and sixteen Councils were represented.

Grand Master had visited all the Councils and had found but one weak sister. Work was well done and a spirit of enterprise manifested. He was pleased that so few dispensations had been asked for, and from a California point of view these few were unnecessary.

Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Principal Conductor of Work reported visitations, all very satisfactory.

No business of especial interest came before the Grand Council, and after the usual routine, officers were elected and Grand Council closed.

The Correspondence report is by Comp. ALBRO E. CHASE. He quotes two lines from the Grand Master of Alabama, which he deems much to the point, and we acquiesce: "Our annual meetings, and the routine work incident to the propagation of the Order, are but the outlines to the real pictures of pleasure and good fellowship." Also Comp. HEMPSTEAD'S apology for conferring degrees by Grand Council, and Comp. WARVELLE'S essay on Cryptic Rituals, all of which is interesting and instructive, and all of which we have commented on elsewhere.

California was not noticed, probably the Proceedings were behind time.

Sixteen Councils; 4,201 members.

CONVERS E. LEACH, Portland, Grand Master; STEPHEN BERRY, Portland, Grand Recorder.

MARYLAND.

1908.

The Thirty-fifth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Maryland was held in the city of Baltimore, November 18, 1908.

Grand P. C. W., Recorder, and Steward missing at roll call. Three Past Grand Masters and the representatives of eleven Councils were present.

From the report of the Committee on Credentials it would appear that two only, of the officers of Councils having seats in Grand Council, were absent. If such was the fact, it is something unique in the history of Grand Councils.

Grand Master's address accounts for the absence of the P. C. W. and Recorder, those esteemed Companions having been called by the Supreme Grand Master to higher and nobler labors in the Celestial vault.

Grand Master reported the constitution of one new Council, the visitation of every Council, and the conferring of the S. E. degree. Well done.

Comp. EITEL, holding the offices of Grand Recorder and Grand Treas-

urer, reported the pleasing intelligence that the balance in bank had perceptibly grown, and that the membership had increased by nearly one hundred.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted a report which chiefly consists of a copy of WARVELLE'S "Notes," the German and French Traditions, etc., which we noted last year.

Fraternal greeting was extended to the new Grand Council of Texas. The Grand Master installed the Thrice Illustrious Masters of Four Councils.

Authority was given to a Past Thrice Illustrious to install a Thrice Illustrious elect. In most jurisdictions he would have that power without any authorization.

Election and installation of Grand Officers followed, and Grand Council closed in Ample Form.

Thirteen Councils; 1,193 members.

GRAHAM DUKEHART, Baltimore, Grand Master; GUSTAV A. EITEL, Baltimore, Grand Recorder.

MASSACHUSETTS.

1907.

A Special Assembly of the Grand Council of Massachusetts was held in the city of Springfield for the purpose of exemplifying the work, most of the Grand Officers being present.

The officers of Boston Council commenced promptly at six o'clock and ten minutes and occupied exactly three hours and four minutes in conferring the three degrees, recesses included. After thanks to Boston Council for the work, to the Grand Lecturer for oversight, and to Springfield Council for Hall and paraphernalia, Grand Council closed. In small States, where the Comps. can assemble at small expense, this method of teaching the work would seem to have many advantages.

The Eighty-second Annual Assembly was held December 11, 1907, in the city of Boston.

All the Grand Officers, four Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of eighteen Councils were present.

Past Grand Master J. ALBERT BLAKE, Grand Principal Conductor of the Works of the General Grand Council, was received with the honors due to his rank.

An amendment to the Constitution, giving Candidates a right to apply to the most convenient Council, was introduced and referred to a committee.

Grand Master had made twelve visits, and reported the work generally well done, and Councils thriving.

He deplores the use of manuscript Rituals and parts thereof, and

recommends that these all be called in and a cipher Ritual issued, to be accounted for at each visitation. He also thinks a traveling card would be a good thing.

The Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, has a plan, now in force for three years. A card is issued annually, without which no one can attend his own or visit any other body of the Rite, and the card can be issued only in payment of all dues for the year for which the card is issued. This works splendidly, as it compels the prompt payment of dues.

Grand Council approved Grand Master's recommendations and appointed a committee to prepare a traveling card.

Grand Recorder WAITE writes the Correspondence report. He gives California an extended notice; approves our remarks concerning charities, and horseplay in conferring degrees. He says that the question of pre-requisition has been thrashed to death, yet occasionally some one digs up the mutilated corpse and gives it a whack or two more.

Twenty-eight Councils; 7,289 members.

EDWIN S. CRANDON, Cambridge, Grand Master; J. GILMAN WAITE, Boston, Grand Recorder.

MICHIGAN.

1908.

The Proceedings of the Grand Council of Michigan lie before us—a volume seven-eighths of an inch thick. Looking at it in the middle of the pile of proceedings which we attacked some weeks ago, we wondered what we were "up against." A closer examination shows that, as usual, the Proceedings were short and sweet, but that the bulk of the volume consists of a concise history of Cryptic Masonry in general, and of each year's doings of the Grand Council of Michigan. Also we are pleased to behold the counterfeit presentments of the several Grand Masters and Grand Recorders who have wielded the gavel and the pen during the fifty years' existence of that Grand Council, together with a biographical sketch of each.

For all of which let us thank Grand Recorder CONOVER.

The Fiftieth Annual Session of the Grand Council of Michigan was held May 18, 1908, in the city of Detroit.

All Grand Officers present except Chaplain. Nine Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of sixty-one Councils completed the Grand Council.

Grand Master had worked the dispensation mill to its full extent and had made some visits. He was so well pleased with the workings of the Masonic Home that he recommended a depletion of the treasury in its behalf.

Reports of Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer show a gain of 308 members, and a balance of $3,107.64 in the treasury.

Grand Lecturer had made 32 visits, it is to be hoped with profit to the Craft. A companion who had labored for fourteen years in solving a difficult financial problem was elected an Honorary Past Grand Master and presented with an appropriate jewel.

Comp. CONOVER made an elaborate report on the Grand Council of Texas, and recognition was granted. With over 12,000 members it ought to be a lively factor in the Cryptic Rite.

In the sketch of the life of Comp. CONOVER he says: "The most important event in the life of this Comp. occurred in Lafayette, Indiana, May 11, 1865,"—alluding, we suppose, to his opening his eyes for the first time on the scenes of this sublunary sphere. Very soon after, while he was "mewling and puking in his nurse's arms," a very important event in the life of this correspondent occurred. He was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in St. Mark's Lodge No. 36, Tariffville, Conn. And yet CONOVER calls us a young one.

Comp. CONOVER writes so good a report on Correspondence, that we will give him a plenary indulgence and forgive beforehand all that he may say of us. He gives California 1907 three pages, and compliments deservedly our last Grand Master, Comp. WILLETT. He closes with the German and French Traditions of Comp. WARVELLE.

Sixty-three Councils; 6,783 members.

CHARLES H. PATTERSON, Jackson, Grand Master; CHARLES A. CONOVER, Coldwater, Grand Recorder.

MISSISSIPPI.

1908.

The Fifty-third Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Mississippi met in the city of Hattiesburg, February 17, 1908, all the Grand Officers being present. Two Past Grand Masters were in attendance, and thirty Councils were represented.

Grand Master had labored under difficulties. Bad weather in the spring, panic in the fall, and physical ailment all the time rendered performance of duty very difficult, and visitations impossible. The consequences of all this are easily imagined, but the Grand Council of Mississippi is not dead nor mortally ailing. One hundred and eighty-three Comps. were greeted and the expenses were all paid.

The worst feature that we see is that seventeen out of forty-six Councils failed to make returns. That is inexcusable. A Recorder can at least report "Nothing done during the year."

Two Councils were reported as *revived*, and many more ought to be. Let us hope for a better report next year.

Forty-six Councils; 1,886 members.

OLIVER LEE MCKAY, Meridian, Grand Master; FREDERIC SPEED, Vicksburg, Grand Recorder.

NEBRASKA.

1908.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Nebraska convened December 16, 1908, in the city of Omaha.

All of the Grand Officers were present, with six Past Grand Masters, and representatives of thirteen Councils.

Grand Master's address shows that he was fairly busy. One new Council was organized, dispensations issued and visits made.

Grand Recorder's report shows 195 greetings, and a net gain of 186. Not much for so large a jurisdiction, but much better than nothing.

The financial situation, however, is not rosy, as the expenditures exceeded the receipts, a condition which cannot long continue without disastrous results.

The report on Correspondence is by the several representatives, but as many of them neglected their duty, Comp. CHARLES J. PHELPS bore their burdens. California is among those noticed by him. He says that we "indulge in the facetious."

Well, we are no lamenting Jeremiah, and prefer to laugh rather than weep. "Laugh and grow fat" is our motto—and we have succeeded in doing both.

"A pebble in the streamlet scant
Has turned the course of many a river."

A very small pebble in the streamlet of our young life prevented our intended settlement in Nebraska in 1859. Wonder if fifty years on the prairies would have left us in our present "facetious" mood, or would watching for cyclones and blizzards, and occasional retreats into the cellar have soured our disposition. ?*Quien Sabe*?

Twenty-three Councils; 1396 members.

FREDERICK J. SCHAUFELBERGER, Hastings, Grand Master; FRANCIS E. WHITE, Omaha, Grand Recorder.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

1908.

The Forty-seventh Annual Assembly was held in the city of Concord, May 18, 1908.

The Grand Officers were all on hand. Twelve Past Grand Masters answered when their names were called, and thirteen Councils were represented.

Grand Master reported that nothing unusual had happened, no decisions had been asked, and a fair degree of prosperity had been enjoyed.

Reports of visitations by Grand Officers showed that most of the

Councils were alive. In one or two instances an enlivening dose might be prescribed.

Routine business was transacted.

Two Grand Chaplains were provided for. Are the Companions of New Hampshire getting so very wicked?

Amendments to the Constitution were prepared, one of which restores the title "Thrice Illustrious," which was taken away at the last session. As action on this goes over one year we suppose a Companion desiring to make a motion must still rise and say: "Master! I move so and so." Rather Awkward!!

Comp. JOSEPH E. ROBINS writes the Correspondence report. He gives California, 1907, a notice, and says there is nothing slow about us. Well, we try, at least, to keep up with the procession. That little lunch business which our Grand Bodies have had the last three years has just hit the spot, as Comp. ROBINS thinks it would. Under Illinois he remarks, "A hog on ice is very independent, but not overmuch graceful. For the life of me I can not see the pleasure or benefit of independence in a fraternal order." We confess to the same be-clouded vision.

Concerning Nebraska's decision that suspension in Lodge and Chapter does not work the same in Council, he says: "Surely then, this Ninth Arch rests upon a foundation of sand. Is not the solid rock better?" We have always held to the rock foundation, and the results prove the wisdom of that course. He calls the "Eastern Star" a star of the first magnitude, and we shake hands with him on that.

Comp. ROBINS has associated so much with WOODBURY that he has *assimilated* many of the Grand Recorder's characteristics. We are so far away that we have no fear of him, but his pen sometimes gets into the gall bottle by mistake, no, not gall, but good, sharp vinegar.

Fifteen Councils: 2,069 members.

EDWARD O. FIFIELD, Nashua, Grand Master; FRANK D. WOOBBURY, Concord, Grand Recorder.

NEW JERSEY.

1908.

The Fiftieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of New Jersey met in the city of Trenton, April 21st, 1908, the Grand Officers all being present.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters answered to their names and eight Councils were represented.

Grand Master was not obliged to regret not having been able to do what he expected, as is usual with Grand Masters. He had visited every Council in the Jurisdiction, some of them more than once, and had performed all other acts required of him.

His few recommendations were adopted by Grand Council, and the same was closed in Harmony.

The Correspondence report is by Comp. HIRAM E. DEATS. California, 1907, gets a good notice.

Yes, we know the animal you speak of; he is small but cunning. Monterey beach is full of him. But he don't rank high in moral character, and we don't consider him an example for Illustrious Companions to follow.

Comp. DEATS' reviews are short and sweet, and he uses the scissors but little. His comments are few, but to the point.

The Proceedings come out in a dress of purple that puts New York, Mississippi and California entirely in the shade. We look pale beside them. The purple is so purple that we can not read the black print upon it.

Seven Councils: 778 members.

JAMES NEILSON, Camden, Grand Master; HIRAM E. DEATS, Flemington, Grand Recorder.

NEW YORK.

1908.

The Grand Council of the State of New York met in the city of Rochester, August 25, 1908, all the Grand Officers being present, with eleven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of twenty-two Councils. Grand Council was opened in Ample Form with music from Handel, Gounod and Mendelssohn. Chorus and proclamation.

Select Masters were invited to remain as visitors "except at such times as prohibited by the Constitution." As we have no copy of the New York constitution at hand, we are a little curious to know when, and why they are prohibited. Our Select Masters remain without any invitation, and we remember one instance when a Companion distinguished in Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter but who had never held any office in Council, was appointed on an important Committee.

The Address of the Grand Master covers 95 pages, which we should consider a year's work had he done nothing but compile it.

Nevertheless he visited a number of Councils, and also officially attended meetings of other Masonic Bodies.

So far as we have been able to learn, Ohio and New York stand alone in this matter of mutual recognition. "Brethren this ought not so to be." We are all one great family and ought at least to be on visiting terms.

The reports of visitations by Grand Officers, embodied in the Grand Master's address, show a healthy state of affairs in most of the Councils. In speaking of the numerous dispensations granted he finds the following provision of the Constitution as an excuse: "To do and per-

form such other things as are inherent in and pertain to his office, and are not in conflict with this Constitution."

"That," he says, "is broad enough to cover almost anything." It seems to us that any act not in conflict with the Constitution might be performed by a Council without a Dispensation. A Dispensation should be an act performed under a "military necessity," as we used to say in the days "when we were volunteers" fifty years ago, and only issued when such necessity exists.

Our Constitution provides for the time of Annual Elections, yet when the election has not taken place the Grand Master issues a Dispensation for an election to be held on some other date.

One new Council was organized—a resuscitation of Jamestown Council. Grand Master goes at length into the history of the cryptic Rite in New York, making an interesting paper.

The various committees reported, as did the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer, all of which tended to show a moderate degree of prosperity.

A committee to ascertain the date of birth of Grand Council reported that that event took place January 25, 1823, consequently the present is the Eighty-sixth Annual.

The Committee on "Foreign" Correspondence, consisting of Comps. COBURN, CATHERS and SHOEMAKER, reviewed the proceedings of 25 Councils. California, being so far away, was more than "foreign," and was not noticed. "We still live."

This triangular report is a good one and we enjoyed reading it, though we sought in vain for something to throw a rock at.

Twenty-four Councils; 5,063. members.

FRANK M. ADEE, Saratoga Springs, Grand Master; CHARLES T. LUNT, New York City, Grand Recorder.

NORTH CAROLINA.

1908.

The Thirty-second Assembly of this Grand Council was held in the city of Kinston, May 12, 1908, Grand Conductor of the Council and Grand Sentinel being absent. Two Past Grand Masters only were in attendance and nine Councils were represented.

Grand Master attributed the little progress made during the year to the existing financial depression.

On commencing his term of service he had high hopes, but alas! they had not been fulfilled. Nevertheless, like the good Mason that he is, he was not discouraged, promising to aid his successor in the great work which that Companion is expected to accomplish.

Grand Treasurer reported an excess of expenditures over receipts

of $3.14, and Grand Recorder reported a net gain of 26 members. No business of importance was brought before Grand Council.

Comp. SOUTHGATE writes the Correspondence report, giving California a good notice.

We are so quiet and conservative here that we do not give the Correspondent much to write about, though our putting "Councils on wheels" has provoked some criticism. So far it has worked well.

Comp. SOUTHGATE does not favor the Arkansas and Tennessee plan of conferring degrees by Grand Council. In North Carolina he says they open the local Council and then let Grand Council officers take the stations and do the work. Which the same is about our plan. He must have been a little late in getting out the proceedings, as we find a note of complaint under several headings that North Carolina received no notice from Correspondents—as he has nearly a year to send his little book to us, we are pretty sure of getting it.

The entire report is interesting, and on a par with the former efforts of the "Venerable Companion."

Eight Councils; 303 members.

HENRY G. SMALLBONES, Wilmington, Grand Master; JAMES C. MUNDS, Wilmington, Grand Recorder.

OHIO.

1908.

The Seventy-ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Ohio convened in the city of Cleveland, October 6, 1908.

The Grand Recorder reported that all of the Grand Officers, seventeen Past Grand Masters, and representatives from all of the sixty-eight Councils were present.

"An example worthy of all imitation."

As usual, all distinguished Masons, Past and Present Grand Masters, Grand High Priests and Grand Commanders, were introduced, received with the Grand Honors and seated in the East. Another good example. In fact, our Ohio Companions appear to set the pace in most things. Notwithstanding the hard times, the Grand Master says they have made a grand showing.

He recommends practising the teachings of the Craft, which is more difficult than all the other work, and the most sadly neglected. Grand Master attributes the growth of the Rite to the system of inspection now in vogue, which he says should never be discontinued. He thinks that less than half a dozen Companions of each Council read the Correspondence reports. We think he over-estimates, for as three copies only are sent to each Council the probabilities are that not over two of those are read. Rather discouraging for us of the Circle, but we

will do our best, even if nobody reads our efforts. Grand Master, however, considers these reports interesting and instructive and recommends their perusal. For all of which we move a vote of thanks. *Carried.*

Grand Master had made few visits, but received the courtesies due his exalted position wherever he went. He says, "I dedicated the Secret Retreat * * * in due and ancient form," and also deputized a P. G. M. to "assist in dedicating" another Masonic Temple.

Now we imagine the immeasurable height of the "dudgeon" in which our Grand Lodge Officers would walk out if any Grand Officer of any other Masonic body should presume to desire to "assist" in dedicating a Temple, or any other building. The Templars may *escort,* others may *accompany,* but no one may *assist.*

That is the province of Grand Lodge alone. If these things continue, we fear that both the Ohio Grand Lodges will be declared clandestine. We are far too holy to recognize a Grand Lodge that associates on equal terms with R. A. M's,. R. & S. M's. and K. T's.

It is a great pleasure to read the reports of the several Grand Officers and committees, everything is so exact and methodical. No wonder that peace and prosperity pervades the entire Jurisdiction.

Another Ohio idea is a Past Grand Masters' Association, which held its second meeting and adopted a Constitution. Its objects are stated to be in short to keep up the interest of the P. G. M's. in the Rite, secure their attendance on Grand Council, and last but not least, to "practice in our lives and teach unto others, the true principles and spirit of Freemasonry."

Comp. NELSON WILLIAMS writes the Correspondence report. We should like to make his personal acquaintance, for from his review of California and the soft brickbats he hurls at ourself, we deem him to be a jolly good fellow. Now, Comp. WILLIAMS, being a poet does not necessarily eradicate the desire or capacity for slaughter. Byron speaks of

"The poet-priest Milman
So ready to kill man."

How should we know but HEMPSTEAD is built on the same lines. But he has accepted our humble apologies, so we sleep well o' nights. But why should you blaspheme our climate? It is about all that we have. An overcoat, forsooth! Why we have worked this entire winter in an office with the outside door open most of the time, with no fire and no overcoat! Do that in Ohio, will you?

Commenting on WARVELLE'S report, he locks horns on several propositions, but agrees with him that regular installation and presiding in the Oriental chair contribute a Past Master regardless of length of term. This seems to us to be the common sense view.

He approaches his next neighbor, Indiana, with fear and trembling, having heard of MORDHURST's "trenchant pen," and then proceeds to give that distinguished reviewer one on the solar plexus.

MORDHURST says: "The whole Ohio system is weak and abortive, simply because Grand Officers make the visits, officers in the line of promotion are lenient critics."

Williams comes back as follows:

"What kind of mortals do you elevate to official stations in your Grand Council? Are they men who * * * allow their political ambitions to override their sense of duty? If so we understand your comment. In Ohio we make our Grand Officers out of different timber," and continues in the same strain. We have met both kinds of Grand Officers. Some do politics and some, thank Heaven, live on a higher plane. Each is known by his works.

Under Iowa he is confronted with the problem that we failed to solve—how reports could show both increase and decrease.

Under Kansas, referring to the issuance of special Dispensations to receive and ballot, on petition, etc., he says:

"By the very fact of issuing such a dispensation you create the impression that you are a sort of one-horse institution, with a lot of rules which are to be broken, if by so doing a few candidates are to be caught."

Right you are! A Dispensation, as we look at it, is a means of doing something which is not possible under the law. For instance, if a Council fails to elect officers at the time specified in the By-Laws it is not possible legally to elect. Here comes a situation when a Dispensation is proper. But to elect a candidate, no—because he can have another opportunity, viz., at the next stated meeting. Like an injunction, the Dispensation should only be used when there is no other remedy.

But why have such laws if you are to break them every time a Council holds a meeting.

Candidates for Council are Royal Arch Masons, well known in Lodge and Chapter, and no committee will ever find out anything about them that is not already known to the Companions. Forty-nine years' experience in California has demonstrated the fact that in ninety-nine cases in a hundred, nay—even in a greater proportion of cases, Companions are ready to ballot as soon as the names are read.

Then why tie up the Councils, and trouble the Grand Master to cut the string every time a candidate desires initiation?

Under Kentucky he criticises Comp. GRANT's views in several respects. The law in all our Masonic bodies is that a Lodge, Chapter or Council may remove to any place inside the limits of the city or town without permission, but to remove to another town or city requires

a Dispensation. The Orders of the Temple and Eastern Star have the same regulation. As to dedication, many of our bodies meet for years in halls that have never been dedicated at all. He holds to the limitation of the powers of bodies, U. D., concerning which we have had our say elsewhere.

Under Maine he quotes approvingly Grand Master BEACON: "The principal object of primitive Free Masonry was a knowledge of God." From our point of view that is the sole object of Masonry today, and all other features of the institution are necessarily attendant on the search for that knowledge.

But we have already exceeded our limits on this excellent review.

Sixty-eight Councils; 11,117 members.

WARREN J. BAKER, Toledo, Grand Master; WM. E. EVANS, Chillicothe, Grand Recorder.

OREGON.

1908.

On April 8th, 1909, the Grand Council of Oregon assembled for the twenty-third time, and was opened in Ample Form in the city of Portland.

Grand Chaplain, Captain of Guard, Conductor of Council and Steward being absent. However, Companions were present who were willing to assume the stations of the absentees, and these, with seven Past Grand Masters and the representatives of five Councils, formed the Grand Council.

Comp. JAMES H. BEGG, M. I. Grand Master of Washington, was received as a visitor with the honors due his rank.

Grand Master delivered a lengthy address, full of good ideas, and well expressed. He had made no visitations, and issued but five Dispensations, four of which would be unnecessary in California. He recommended that Adoniram Council at Albany surrender its charter, it being impossible to congregate nine members to hold a meeting.

Grand Council approved both the acts and recommendations of Grand Master, recognized the Grand Council of Texas, paid the bills, and elected and installed Grand Officers. Then, having decided to meet next year at Salem, the Companions returned to their homes with the satisfaction of having faithfully performed their duty toward the Craft.

No report on Correspondence.

Six Councils; 436 members.

GEORGE O'B. DEBAR, Eugene, Grand Master; SETH L. POPE, Salem, Grand Recorder.

PENNSYLVANIA.

1908.

The Sixty-second Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Pennsylvania was held in the city of Scranton, January 21, 1908.

All of the Grand Officers, ten Past Grand Masters and the representatives of nineteen Councils answered when the roll was called. A number of letters and telegrams, with regrets and excuses, were read.

Grand Master was thankful to the Supreme Grand Master for peace and prosperity and that no one of the official family had been called away by Death.

Fourteen Dispensations to elect and confer degrees "instanter" were issued.

Twenty-one Councils were officially visited, Grand Master in most instances being accompanied by other Grand Officers.

We notice that he several times conferred the degree of Past Thrice Illustrious Master.

We were of the opinion that we had long ago received all the legitimate Masonic degrees, but here is one that we have not and we shall never be happy hereafter. Wonder if we were to make a special trip to Pennsylvania would they confer it on us.

He also went outside his Jurisdiction and visited in New York and New Jersey. His making Cryptic Masons on sight we have commented on elsewhere. None of our Grand Officers have such prerogative.

His decisions appear to be about right according to Pennsylvania law, which, however, differs much from that of other Jurisdictions. If our Grand Council had compelled the investment of Life Membership money some of our large Councils would not be obliged to borrow to pay Grand Council dues. We note also that Companions not Past or Present Thrice Ill. Masters, were compelled to retire when the G. M. was installed. Why is this thus? In this world we must take the bitter with the sweet, and Grand Master was obliged to suspend a Recorder of a Council, his personal friend, for gross misconduct. Grand Council gave a large sized notice to a delinquent Council, directing them to procure paraphernalia and get busy, else Masonic death impends. We hope the warning will be heeded. Comp. MARTENIS spreads himself on 59 pages of Correspondence report, three of which he gives to California. He quotes largely from G. M. WILLETT's address, and the committee report thereon. He also quotes much from WARVELLE. We have read the original, and the quotations by so many correspondents that we could almost repeat the whole. It is good though, and might be committed to memory by the whole Fraternity, with benefit to the Companions and the Rite.

Comp. MARTENIS is certainly the boss clipper, but his selections are wisely made, and reflect the best ideas of those who have given thought and work to the Royal Craft.

Twenty-five Councils; 4,220 members.

JOHN HENRY LAPE, Altoona, Grand Master; FRANK W. MARTENIS, South Bethlehem, Grand Recorder.

RHODE ISLAND.

1905, 1906, 1907.

Little Rhody presents in a neat volume the Proceedings of three years—1905, 1906 and 1907.

The Forty-fifth Annual Assembly was held in Providence, April 11, 1905, all the Grand Officers being present, 9 Past Grand Masters and the representatives of four Councils answering to roll call.

Grand Master had issued but one Dispensation—a necessary one, had made two visits with a "full board of Grand Officers," at one of which he witnessed "a fine exemplification of the S. E. Degree." He decided that it was not advisable to communicate the R. and S. Degrees, in order that Companions might take the S. E., as he believed it "poor policy to rush candidates through the degrees." He recommends that Companions be required to pass an examination before signing the By-Laws. This is something new in Cryptic Masonry, but from our experience in examining visitors, we would think it worthy of trial. We cannot from the Proceedings determine whether or not the Grand Council took any action on this or the other recommendations of Grand Master.

1906.

The Forty-sixth Annual Assembly was held in Providence, April 10, 1906, all officers except Grand Master being present, with twelve Past Grand Masters and the representatives of three Councils only.

In a state of such microscopic distances we should think that Council officers might at least drop in at roll call and not lose more than a couple of hours' time.

Grand Master being unavoidably absent, his address was read by the Deputy Grand Master.

Like his predecessor, Grand Master had issued one Dispensation, but excelled him in visits, having made eleven, which is doing well where there are only five Councils.

1907.

The Forty-seventh Assembly was held in Providence, April 9, 1907, All the Grand Officers, eight Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of three Councils being present.

Grand Master's address was entirely devoted to necrology. He issued the usual dispensations, but made no visits.

This year we have the report of the Committee on the Grand Master's address of 1905. They did not approve of the examination suggested, nor the charging of dues while under suspension. His other recommendations were adopted and his decision as to communicating degrees was concurred in.

Comp. RUGG writes a report on Correspondence in a different style from that usually adopted being more in the form of an essay or sermon. It is interesting, however, and we like to see and hear some new thing, like the Athenians of old.

Five Councils; 1,863 members.

ROBERT S. FRANKLIN, Newport, Grand Master; WM. R. GREEN, Providence, Grand Recorder.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

1908.

The Grand Council of South Carolina held its Forty-ninth Annual Assembly in the city of Charleston, February 11, 1908, all the Grand Officers being present.

No Past Grand Masters thought it worth while to attend, and although five Councils were represented we can count but thirteen names of Companions present, including the Grand Officers.

Grand Master apologized for having done so little, and promised better things for the future. He had, however, issued three dispensations. The usual expectations, unrealized also as usual, concerning new chapters, were entertained. This Grand Master had gone one step further than his predecessors, he had actually issued a dispensation, but no action thereon by the Companions interested had been reported.

Why Grand Master did not wish the acceptance of an invitation to hold the next annual Assembly at Columbia we can not conceive.

Grand Council voted to accept, without any strings, and appointed a committee to arrange for a celebration at that time of their fiftieth anniversary. We hope they will have a grand good time, and would much like to be with them.

Comp. DAVIS opens his Correspondence report with regrets that all R. & S. Comps. do not read the Proceedings of Grand Councils. If they should do so we believe the number of those entering the S. V. would double in a year. This is hardly in the limits of possibility, so the next best thing is for those of us who do read to spread the good tidings.

Comp. DAVIS does not feel so "appalled" this time as he did four years ago when he made his maiden effort. That effort was all right,

as we foretold, and we see no depreciation in the succeeding ones.

He copies the proclamation of the appointment of the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of England. It sounds strange to Americans, but if our English brethren like it we have no kick coming.

Under Oregon, he says that South Carolina appoints her representatives for life, or unless they see that such representatives do not attend Grand Council. We have held the position of representative from South Carolina for 21 years, and have been absent but twice—when we were on the other side of the great pond.

Six Councils; 216 members.

GEORGE T. BRYAN, Greenville, Grand Master; ZIMMERMAN DAVIS, Charleston, Grand Recorder.

TENNESSEE.

1909.

The Fifty-ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Tennessee was held January 25, 1909, in the city of Nashville, Grand Chaplain being the only absentee.

Sixteen Past Grand Masters showed by their presence that their interest in the prosperity of the Rite had not ceased, and sixteen Councils sent representatives.

Grand Master reported that for sundry reasons he had not led the strenuous life during the year, but did not consider it altogether his fault, as owing to financial troubles the Rite was doing very little work, and consequently he found little to do. His retrospective view covered many pleasures and some disappointments—the usual lot of mankind.

Three dispensations were granted, one to Greenville Council to move into new quarters. Here that would be unnecessary, all our Grand Bodies having decided that within town or city limits freedom of motion is allowed without asking anybody's consent.

Two Councils U. D. having failed to make returns or exhibit any sign of life, their dispensations were recalled.

We sometimes judge as to the prosperity of a man by his outward appearance, and along this line we were impressed with the size of the volume of Proceedings for 1909, as compared with what was given us a few years ago.

We notice a resolution that no Council is permitted to confer the degrees on one who is *maimed*. This reminds us of a quite distinguished Mason who had received all the degrees and was a laborer in the vineyard, but who had accidentally lost a leg. Visiting an Eastern city he desired to commune with his brethren, and so knocked at the door of a lodge. A committee was sent out to examine him, but soon returned, saying that the man could not possibly be a Mason as he had but one leg. Of course it is the body that makes the man.

Comp. FLENNIKEN writes the Correspondence report, which we have read with pleasure. He gives California a good notice, but hits us about our instanter proceedings. Well, we have done this for nearly fifty years and have felt no ill effects. Royal Arch Masons are supposed to be well known, and the unworthy dare not apply at the door of the S. V. Those who try get the *cube instanter.*

Eighteen Councils; 853 members.

CHARLES H. SMART, Nashville, Grand Master; WM. A. CLENDENNING, Nashville, Grand Recorder.

VERMONT.

1908.

The Fifty-fifth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Vermont was held in the city of Burlington, June 9, 1908, all the Grand Officers being present.

Eight Past Grand Masters answered to roll call, and sixteen Councils were represented. In all, seventy-one Companions constituted Grand Council.

Grand Master had issued dispensations to ballot instanter; made a few visits; permitted a Massachusetts Council to enter his dominions and confer degrees Massachusetts fashion; went across the river and made a visit to a New Hampshire Council, and attended to business as a good G. M. should.

We like this idea of being neighborly. Here in California, Councils are hundreds of miles apart, and we can't "drop in for a cup of tea" very often, but when we do, it is always a pleasant occasion.

It seems that some of the Councils have no annual dues, and Grand Master recommends that a by-law be adopted fixing a certain sum as such dues.

The Committee on Doings of Grand Officers urge prompt action upon the Councils, that Grand Masters may not be compelled to stereotype that portion of the annual address. It would seem to us that the best way out of the woods would be for Grand Council to establish dues in every Council, fixing a minimum.

Comp. MARSH O. PERKINS writes the Correspondence report in his usual thoughtful manner, touching items of interest in the doings of the several Grand Councils. California, 1907, receives a friendly notice, and one or two of the ideas we then advanced are approvingly quoted. Like many more of us he has occasion to cross swords with WARVELLE of Illinois, though in most respects he agrees with him. Comp. PERKINS' idea of the requisite qualifications for a Past Master coincides with California law.

He agrees, under Kentucky, with Comp. GRANT in wishing to retain the old familiar Masonic language. Last year we had a little say

on that subject, and we still agree with GRANT and PERKINS that the old language is the best.

He does not understand that good standing in Lodge and Chapter is not required in Nebraska. Neither do we. How a Comp. can hold Masonic intercourse in a Council with one with whom he could not sit in Lodge or Chapter is more than we can comprehend.

He wonders when the prerogative of making Cryptic Masons "at sight" originated. This under Pennsylvania where Grand Master exercised such right. We await Comp. MARTENIS' answer to this and several other pertinent questions asked by Comp. PERKINS.

Seventeen Councils; 1,351 members.

SILAS H. DANFORTH, St. Albans, Grand Master; HENRY H. ROSS, Burlington, Grand Recorder.

WASHINGTON.

1908.

The Thirteenth Annual Assembly of the "Most Illustrious" Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of Washington was held in the city of Tacoma, June 20, 1908.

Deputy Grand Master, Grand Chaplain, and Grand Sentinel reported absent. Ten Past Grand Masters were present, and seven Councils were represented.

The Thrice Ill. of a Council U. D. was present and given a seat, but no vote.

Grand Master reported "unequalled activity in this branch of our beloved craft." Peace and harmony prevail. There is always a shadow somewhere, and this time it was cast by the death of Deputy Grand Master Ross and Past Grand Master DIBBLE.

Two dispensations, one to elect officers and one to organize a new Council at Bremerton, were issued.

Grand Master attended to business, and visited every Council. No wonder that "activity" prevails. The gospel of work preached and practiced is sure to bring results.

Grand Treasurer reported an increased balance in treasury, in spite of increased appropriations, and Grand Recorder was able to show a net increase of over eleven per cent in membership.

Charter was granted to Naval Council at Bremerton; the acts of the Grand Master were ratified, and a touching memorial to the Grand Encampment of Knight Templar was adopted. We predict that this memorial will be received with sighs and buried with tears.

Grand Recorder HARE writes the Correspondence report, California, 1907 being noticed. Under Connecticut he emits a spark of wisdom, saying:

"The question of affiliating with the Gen. Grand Council having been brought to his attention by many of the Companions, he communicated with a number of Past Grand Masters asking their opinion. Now, why consult the 'has beens?' The Councils are the ones most deeply concerned, I think."

Continuing in the same vein he says, under Mississippi:

"I believe if I were Mississippi, I would affiliate with the G. G. C. It might change their luck and certainly could not be much worse than now."

Eight Councils; 767 members.

ALONZO G. BOWMAN, Seattle, Grand Master; EDWARD R. HARE, Tacoma, Grand Recorder.

WISCONSIN.

1908.

The Grand Council of Wisconsin met in its Fifty-first Annual Assembly in the city of Milwaukee, February 19, 1908.

All the Grand Officers were present.

Four Past Grand Masters and the representatives of fourteen Councils completed the Grand Council.

Grand Master was in a happy frame of mind, all was to his liking. Peace and prosperity reigned during his term of office. He terms the various beneficiary and fraternal societies that fill the land *lateral* descendants of Masonry. We forbear to question the legitimacy of lateral propagation. In these days of "consecutive polygamy" perhaps it is all right.

He says that all of them are doing good, that they have "seized and put into practical operation the law of human Fraternity." This is probably true, to a certain extent, of most of them, but we have known some that existed only for the benefit of their originators, and that finally went the way of all the earth. Possibly some of the same sort still survive.

Two new Councils were constituted, charters having been granted them at the last session of the Grand Council.

One dispensation to form a Council was granted and Grand Council voted them a charter.

If Grand Master made any visits he failed to report the same. The usual batch of dispensations were granted. A resolution was adopted providing for issuing demits to members of defunct Councils, they to furnish satisfactory evidence of membership in said defunct Council.

M. I. Comp. DREHER reviews the proceedings of thirty Grand Councils, California, 1907, being among the number. He gets after us in a lively manner on the question of suspension of non-affiliates, and says "he may come to Wisconsin, and if he is a *worthy* non-affiliate and

can pass the test of the ballot, we will re-animate his suspended animation."

Well, we will do exactly the same thing, all he has to do is to ask in the prescribed manner, and he will get in if the ballot is clear; but until he does ask, he is unto us as a stranger.

He asks: "Of what does the California law suspend a non-affiliate?" It suspends him from the privilege of visitation, of Masonic burial, and the other rights possessed by members in good standing.

As to notification and trial, how can we know that he is a Mason at all unless he makes himself known and when he exhibits his demit and we find it is more than six months old he will get his notification quick.

Under Indiana Comp. DREHER is "surprised to read that a Council under Dispensation is permitted to receive petitions for affiliation." Well, we are in the same boat with the Hoosiers. Lodges, Chapters, Councils and Commanderies under Dispensation not only receive petitions for affiliation, but issue demits, and in fact do everything that a chartered body can do. Only they have to quit when Grand Body meets, and await with fear and trembling the action of the Committee on Warrants and Dispensations, or such other committee as may have the matter in charge. Then, if they show good work, square work, it will be approved and a charter issued. If not, and the Dispensation is not continued, the brief life is ended, and the work they may have done passes under the control of Grand Body which will issue demits. We have never heard a complaint in any Grand Body that this method of procedure ever produced bad results.

Comp. DREHER's report is one of the best; there are other bones we would like to pick with him, but time and space forbid. The volume of Proceedings is a great improvement over those of a few years ago. Especially of those years when during the sleep of the Grand Council none were issued.

24 Councils; 2,581 members.

J. E. PALMER, Mauston, Grand Master; WM. W. PERRY, Milwaukee, Grand Recorder.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES B. MERRITT,
Committee.

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TRANSACTIONS

OF THE

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OF

Royal and Select Masters

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

AT ITS

FIFTIETH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

HELD AT

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ON

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CHRONOLOGY

The ordinary calendar or vulgar era is not generally used by Freemasons in dating their official documents. They have one peculiar to themselves, differing according to their various rites. The Masons in all parts of the world working in the York and French rites add 4000 years to the Christian era, calling it Anno Lucis—Year of Light; abbreviated A.'.L.'., thus the year 1910 would be A.'.L.'., 5910. (This fact has a symbolic reference, not because they believe Freemasonry is, but that the principles and light of the institution are, coeval with the creation.)

Masons practicing in the Ancient and Accepted rite use the Jewish Calendar, which adds 3760 years to the vulgar era, styled Anno Mundi —A.'.M.'.—year of the world. Or they sometimes use the Hebrew Year, which begins on the 17th of September, or 1st of Tisri, using the initials A.'.H.'.—Anno Hebraico.

Royal Arch Masons date from the building of the second Temple—530 B. C. Their style is therefore Anno Inventionis—A.'.Inv.'.—in the year of the Discovery. The year 1910 would be A.'.Inv.'.2440.

Royal and Select Masters should date from the completion of Solomon's Temple, which would add 1000 to the Christian era. Their style is Anno Depositionis—A.'.Dep.'.—in the year of the Deposit. The year 1910 would be A.'.Dep.'. 2910.

Knights Templar date from the organization of the Order—1118. Their style is therefore Anno Ordinis, in the year of the Order. The year 1910 would be A.'.O.'.792.

GENERAL GRAND OFFICERS
OF THE
General Grand Council
OF
Royal and Select Masters
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
1910-1912

GRAFF M. ACKLIN.....Toledo, Ohio
General Grand Master.

J. ALBERT BLAKE.....Boston, Mass.
General Grand Deputy Master.

EDWARD W. WELLINGTON.....Ellsworth, Kan.
General Grand Principal Conductor.

THOMAS E. SHEARS.....Denver, Colo.
General Grand Treasurer.

HENRY W. MORDHURST.....Ft. Wayne, Ind.
General Grand Recorder.

GEORGE A. NEWELL.....Medina, N. Y.
General Grand Captain of Guard.

WILLIAM F. CLEVELAND.....Harlan, Iowa
General Grand Conductor of Council.

FAY HEMPSTEAD.....Little Rock, Ark.
General Grand Marshal.

JOSEPH C. GREENFIELD.....Atlanta, Ga.
General Grand Steward.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING, 1912.

The eleventh Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States of America will be held at Indianapolis, Indiana, September 9, 1912.

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

of California

Officers' Elected and Appointed at the Annual Assembly April 18th, A. D. 1910, A. Dep. 2910

*M.·.I.·.*THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD (17) GRAND MASTER ..... *Santa Cruz*

*R.·.I.·.*BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT (16) DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.....9 *East Main Street, Alhambra*

*R.·.I.·.*JOSEPH ABNER COURTER (1) GRAND PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR OF WORK..... *Sacramento*

*R.·.I.·.*W. FRANK PIERCE (12) GRAND TREASURER,..... .....*Bank of San Francisco, San Francisco*

*R.·.I.·.*THOMAS ABRAHAM DAVIES (2) GRAND RECORDER.... .....110 *Sutter St., S. F. Phones, Douglas* 3133; *Home C*-5979

*R.·.I.·.*JAMES BESTOR MERRITT (12) GRAND CHAPLAIN.... .....1233 *Madison St., Oakland*

*R.·.I.·.*HENRY ASCROFT (2) GRAND LECTURER..... 2135 *Sutter St., S. F. Phone, West* 73; *Res.* 2220 *Point Lobos Avenue, Phone, Pacific* 908.

*R.·.I.·.*THOS. OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT (2) GRAND CAPTAIN OF GUARD.....*Redwood City*

*R.·.I.·.*CHAS. SHERMAN ANDERSON (11) GRAND CONDUCTOR OF COUNCIL.....*Money Order Dept. Main P. O., 7th and Grand Avenue, Los Angeles.*

*R.·.I.·.*WILLIAM PRESTON BUTCHER (19) GRAND STEWARD ..... *Santa Barbara*

ILL.·.SAMUEL DAVID MAYER (2) GRAND ORGANIST..... .....1272 *Clay St., San Francisco*

ILL.·.GEO. WASHINGTON PERKINS (2) GRAND SENTINEL.. .....*care Wells Fargo & Co., San Francisco*

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

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*M.·.I.·.*JAMES BESTOR MERRITT, 1233 *Madison St., Oakland. Residence,* 1200 *Jackson St., Oakland.*

The Fifty-first Annual Assembly of Grand Council will be held in San Francisco, Monday, April 17, A. D. 1911, Anno Dep. 2911, at 10 o'clock A. M.

FIFTIETH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL

OF

Royal and Select Masters

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

The Fiftieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California was opened in the Asylum of Golden Gate Commandery, 2135 Sutter Street, San Francisco, Monday, April 18th, A. D., 1910, Anno. Dep. 2910, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Most Illustrious Companion William Ohmer Girardey, Grand Master, called the Companions to order and directed the Grand Recorder to call the roll.

At the conclusion of the roll call, Th. Ill. Companions Wiley James Tinnin, Edward Byron Spencer and Albert Perham Hardy were appointed a Committee on Credentials, and subsequently reported the following-named Companions present and entitled to seats in this Assembly:

GRAND OFFICERS.

*M.·.I.·.*WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY, *Grand Master.*
*R.·.I.·.*THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, *Deputy Grand Master.*
*R.·.I.·.*BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT, *Grand Principal Conductor of Work.*
*R.·.I.·.*W. FRANK PIERCE, *Grand Treasurer.*
*R.·.I.·.*THOMAS ABRAHAM DAVIES, *Grand Recorder.*
*R.·.I.·.*JAMES BESTOR MERRITT, *Grand Chaplain.*
*R.·.I.·.*HENRY ASCROFT, *Grand Lecturer.*
*R.·.I.·.*JOSEPH ABNER COURTER, *Grand Captain of Guard.*
*R.·.I.·.*THOMAS OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT, *Grand Conductor of Council.*
*R.·.I.·.*CHARLES SHERMAN ANDERSON, *Grand Steward.*
*Ill.·.*SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, *Grand Organist.*
*Ill.·.*GEO. WASHINGTON PERKINS, *Grand Sentinel.*

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

Most Illustrious Companions:

WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES.
FREDERICK FERDINAND BARSS.
HENRY SAYRE ORME.
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.
CHARLES LORD FIELD.
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.
W. FRANK PIERCE.
GEORGE PENLINGTON.
WM. HEWSON DAVIS.
HENRY ASCROFT.
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT.
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Most Illustrious Companions:

W. FRANK PIERCE, representing.....Arkansas
FREDERICK FERDINAND BARSS.....Connecticut
HENRY SAYRE ORME.....Florida, Tennessee and Texas
HENRY ASCROFT.....Kansas
CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT.....Kentucky
CHARLES LORD FIELD.....Maine and New York
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.....Maryland
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.....Michigan
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.....Minnesota
GEORGE PENLINGTON.....Missouri
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.....New Hampshire and Pennsylvania
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR.....New Jersey
WM. HEWSON DAVIS.....Oklahoma
WM. OHMER GIRARDEY.....Rhode Island
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....South Carolina
WM. ABRAHAM DAVIES.....Vermont
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD.....Wisconsin
And *R.·.Ill.·.*THOS. OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT.....Oregon

COUNCILS REPRESENTED.

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL No. 1—

Companions—
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS.
JAMES E. THOMPSON.
WM. OHMER GIRARDEY.
JOSEPH ABNER COURTER.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL No. 2—

THOS. OCHTREIGH HEYDENFELDT, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON, *Principal Conductor of Work.*
Companions—
CHAS. LORD FIELD.
GEORGE PENLINGTON.
HENRY ASCROFT.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

MARYSVILLE COUNCIL No. 3—

LEWIS BOYD WILCOXON, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

SONORA COUNCIL No. 5—

ALFRED HERCULES RAINVILLE, *Principal Conductor of Work.*

SHASTA COUNCIL No. 6—

ISRAEL JOSEPH JOHNSON, *Principal Conductor of Work.*

STOCKTON COUNCIL No. 10—

CARLTON COOLIDGE CASE. *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
Companions—
WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES.
EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES.
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL No. 11—

SAMUEL EDGERTON BURKE, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companions—

HENRY SAYRE ORME.
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR.
CHARLES SHERMAN ANDERSON.
EDWARD BYRON SPENCER.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

OAKLAND COUNCIL No. 12—

BARZILLAI P. BULL, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
EDWARD HARRISON MORGAN, *Principal Conductor of Work.*

Companions—

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.
W. FRANK PIERCE.
EDWARD HARRISON MORGAN.
EDWIN ALLEN SHERMAN.
GEORGE HENRY SMITH.
CHARLES FRANK THOMAS.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters

GATEWAY COUNCIL No 13—

JONATHAN FULTON, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companion—

JOHN GOULD BISBEE.
Past Thrice Illustrious Master

SANTA ANA COUNCIL No. 14—

Companion—

GEORGE PLINEY HILL.
Past Thrice Illustrious Master.

VENTURA COUNCIL No. 15—

CHRISTOPHER WREN CANNON, *Deputy Illustrious Master*

Companion—

DAVID JOHN REESE.
Past Thrice Illustrious Master.

PASADENA COUNCIL No. 16—

WALTER RICHARD GIBBINGS, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*

Companions—

CHARLES JOSEPH WILLETT.
BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL No. 17—

EDWARD J. HARRAN, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
EDGAR MILES WILSON, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*

Companion—

THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD.
Past Thrice Illustrious Master

FRESNO COUNCIL No. 18—

WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
And Past Thrice Illustrious Master.

SANTA BARBARA COUNCIL No. 19—

ALBERT PERHAM HARDY, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
And Past Thrice Illustrious Master.
WILLIAM PRESTON BUTCHER, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*

SAN JOSE COUNCIL No. 20—

ZIBEON ORISON FIELD, *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
SANFORD LORD BACON, *Deputy Illustrious Master.*
PAUL SIBLEY WILLIAMS, *Principal Conductor of Work.*

Companions—

WILLIAM ALEXANDER JANUARY.
CHARLES BERTIE GLEASON.
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

OROVILLE COUNCIL No. 22—

HARRY JACOBI. *Thrice Illustrious Master.*
And Past Thrice Illustrious Master.

SAN DIEGO COUNCIL U. D.—

Companions—
WM. JOHN MOSSHOLDER.
EDWARD CUNNINGHAM HINKLE.
Delegates.

SISKIYOU COUNCIL, U. D.—

Companion—
HARVEY JOHNSON SARTER.
Delegate.

RECAPITULATION

Present: All of the Grand Officers, fifteen Past Grand Masters, eighteen Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near this Grand Council, the Representatives, or their duly authorized proxies, of seventeen chartered Councils, with Delegates from the two Councils under Dispensation.

Helena Council No. 9 and Pomona Council No. 21 were not represented.

The report of the Committee was approved.

Grand Council was then opened in Ample Form, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain and an appropriate selection rendered by our veteran Grand Organist, Illustrious Companion Samuel David Mayer

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES RECEIVED.

The Grand Representatives in attendance were cordially welcomed by the Grand Master and invited to seats in the East.

In response thereto, Most Illustrious Companions Henry Sayre Orme, James Bestor Merritt, W. Frank Pierce, Henry Ascroft, Chas. Joseph Willett, and Thompson Wilson Drullard, gave assurances of the prosperous condition of Cryptic Masonry throughout the several Grand Jurisdictions represented by them.

Written reports were submitted by Companions John A. Ladd, for Illinois, J. T. Johnson, for Minnesota, and D. W Lubeck and James G. Bisbee, representing respectively the

Grand Councils of Washington and Minnesota near California, read by the Grand Recorder, and ordered published in the Proceedings.

MORRISON, Ill., Oct. 22, 1909.

Thomas A. Davies, Grand Recorder, **110 *Sutter St., San Francisco, Cal.***

R. I. Companion:—

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of proceedings of your Grand Council for 1909. On the 8th day of September I had the honor to present my credentials (24th time) as representative of the Grand Council of California near the Grand Council of Illinois and was accorded the Grand Honors of Cryptic Masonry. I am pleased to note the prosperity of the Order in the Golden State.

With kindest Fraternal regards to the Companions of your Jurisdiction.

I remain as ever,

JNO. A. LADD.

FERGUS FALLS, Minn., Oct. 21, 1909.

Thomas Abraham Davies, G. R., San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir and R. I. Companion:—

On October 11th I attended the Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of Minnesota, and as the representative of the Grand Council of California, extended your greetings and well wishes. Have requested our G. R. to forward you a copy of our proceedings as soon as out, which will give you all the details of the meeting. I had the distinguished honor of being elected Grand Master for the ensuing year. Please convey to M. I. G. M. Girardey, and through him to the Companions in your Jurisdiction, my best wishes and greetings. Expect to attend the General Grand Assembly at Savannah next month, where I hope to meet some of the Companions from California, yourself included.

Fraternally yours,

J. T. JOHNSON.

PACIFIC GROVE, Cal., 411 Central Ave., April 8, 1910.

Thomas A. Davies, Esq., Grand Recorder Grand Council R. & S. M., San Francisco.

Dear Sir and Companion:—

I am pleased to report to you that the Grand Council R. & S. M. of the State of Washington held its fourteenth Annual Assembly in

Seattle on June 19th, 1909. The next Annual Asembly will be held in the City of Tacoma on the 28th day of June, 1910.

Peace and harmony prevails.

Fraternally yours,

D. W. LUBECK,
Grand Representative.

AUBURN, California, April 16, 1910.

Thomas A. Davies, Grand Recorder of the Grand Council of California.

Dear Sir and Companion:—

The fortieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Minnesota was held in the City of St. Paul on October 11th, 1909. All the Grand Officers were present except the Grand Principal Conductor of Work. There were present fourteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of seven Councils of the Jurisdiction.

All the Councils being represented except No. 11.

The Grand Master in his address stated that Cryptic Masonry is increasing in interest in all sections of the country and that Minnesota is not behind other Jurisdictions in the steady and safe advance the Rite is making.

The Recorder stated in his report that during the past year the net gain in membership was 133 which is very good taking into consideration that there are only eight working Councils in their Jurisdiction and the total membership 1237.

Yours fraternally,

J. G. BISBEE.
Grand Representative.

The Grand Master then appointed the following Committees:

Reports of Grand Officers—

Companions—

CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.
GEORGE PENLINGTON.

Jurisprudence—

Companions—

W. Frank Pierce.
Charles Joseph Willett.
Charles Lord Field.

Appeals and Grievances—

Companions—

Edward Swift West.
Chas. Bertie Gleason.
Israel Joseph Johnson.

Finance and Returns—

Companions—

James Bestor Merritt.
Thos. Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt.
John Gould Bisbee.

New Councils—

Companions—

Benjamin Brooks Cartwright.
Harry Jacoby.
George Pliney Hill.

Necrology—

Companions—

William Abraham Davies.
Henry Sayre Orme.
George Penlington.

The reading of the minutes of the last Annual Assembly was dispensed with, printed copies thereof being at the disposal of the Companions present; the Grand Master then read his Report, which was listened to attentively and at its conclusion received hearty applause.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Companions of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of the State of California:—

It is with unalloyed pleasure that I welcome to this, the Fiftieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of California, the Representatives of all Grand Jurisdictions, all visiting Companions and members of this Grand Council. It brings with it the recollection of pleasant and profitable association; may the opportunities for the revival of old friendships and the making of new, lead us to the greatest loyalty to each other and our Order. The addition to our membership has not been great; to those who have lately come among us, we extend the glad hand of fellowship.

Among the many Councils of the California Jurisdiction, I find that harmony and general prosperity prevail.

The illness which prevented my attendance upon the last Grand Council, extended over such a length of time it was impossible for me to make many visitations. Looking back at the enjoyable evenings spent with the Companions of Councils as opportunity offered, it is my sincere regret that I was not able to meet with every Council of the Jurisdiction as I had intended.

VISITATIONS.

March 26th in company with Grand Lecturer Henry Ascroft, I officially visited Gateway Council, No. 13, at Auburn. We were warmly greeted by the members. I granted a dispensation to elect and initiate candidates at a special meeting, and saw this energetic Council confer the degrees upon a class of nineteen. Later Companion Ascroft conferred upon them the Super Excellent degree.

April 7th, Companion Ascroft and myself journeyed to Oroville and in the evening officially visited Oroville Council, No. 22. There being no candidates Companion Ascroft engaged the officers in practice. We were afterward entertained at the banquet table. We came away much encouraged, felling that new interest was awakened in this Council.

At home, I have attended my own Council, No. 1, and have always been warmly received.

DISPENSATIONS.

On November 12th I issued a dispensation to Santa Barbara Council, authorizing them to confer the Degree of Royal Master, Select Master and Super Excellent Master, upon several Royal Arch Masons

in good standing, desirous of receiving the Cryptic Degrees without the usual delay.

On December 27th, 1909. For good and sufficient reasons, to Ventura Council, No. 15, to elect its officers at other than the statutory time.

February 26th, 1910, upon receipt of a petition signed by fourteen Royal and Select Masters residing at or near the City of San Diego, accompanied by the recommendation of Santa Ana Council, No. 14, I granted a dispensation for the forming and opening of a Council at San Diego, to be called San Diego Council.

On March 26th, 1910, I issued a dispensation to Gateway Council, No. 13, to receive the petition of nineteen Royal Arch Masons and confer the degrees of the Cryptic Rite.

On April 11th, 1910, I granted a dispensation to twelve Royal and Select Masters at Yreka, to form and open a Council at Yreka to be called Siskiyou Council; a petition having been received from them accompanied by the recommendation of Shasta Council, No. 6.

I am informed that these Companions will petition for charters to perpetuate their existence at the present Assembly; and from the zeal displayed in their organization and results accomplished, I have no doubt their petitions will receive the favorable consideration of this Grand Body.

Immediately after the adjournment of Grand Council at its last Annual Assembly I signed the charters of San Jose Council, No. 20; Pomona Council, No. 21, and Oroville Council, No. 22. Their returns show that the confidence of this Grand Body in their ability to prove a credit to the Rite has been fully realized and no mistake was made in perpetuating their existence.

APPOINTMENTS.

I appointed Past Thrice Illustrious Master Charles Sherman Anderson of Los Angeles Council, No. 11, Grand Steward and authorized Past Grand Master M. Ill. Comp. Wm. Henry Gaynor to install him at his earliest opportunity.

Shortly before the death of our Grand Treasurer, Right Illustrious Companion Franklin Henry Day, I was informed by Grand Recorder Davies of Companion Day's hopeless condition. Feeling that the interest of the Grand Council demanded some action to insure the proper care and control of its funds and property and recognizing that an emergency had arisen calling for the exercise of the prerogative of the Grand Master, I declared the office of Grand Treasurer vacant, and

appointed Past Grand Master, Most Illustrious Companion, W. Frank Pierce, to fill the office thus vacated until the next annual assembly.

My illness also preventing my attendance at the General Grand Council, held at Savannah, Georgia, I gave my proxy to Companion Pierce.

January 29th, 1910. Upon the receipt of a communication from the Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Wisconsin, recommending the appointment of Companion Mark Eubanks as the Grand Representative of the Grand Council of California near that Grand Jurisdiction, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Companion William N. Pennell, I directed the Grand Recorder to issue and forward the commission to Companion Eubanks.

IN MEMORIAM.

With regret I report the death of our Most Illustrious and earnest Companion, Grand Treasurer Franklin Henry Day, who departed this life March 16th. He was always an active worker in the upbuilding of the Order, and served this Grand Council well and faithfully many years.

Let us pause a few moments to offer up a silent tribute to his memory.

I recommend that a page be set apart to the memory of Grand Treasurer Franklin Henry Day in the Proceedings to be issued of this Assembly.

Memorial pages will also be prepared by the Committee on Necrology as a tribute to the Illustrious dead of this and other Grand Jurisdictions who have passed away during the year.

With the close of this Grand Council, my responsibility ends; but it shall ever be my pleasure to continue an earnest worker with the Companions who have honored me with the highest gift within their power to bestow.

In conclusion, I desire to extend my sincere thanks and good wishes to you all; who have ever been ready to serve and advise with me in my labors.

Especially do I wish to thank Companion Ascroft and Davies for their invaluable assistance.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

W. O. GIRARDEY.

Grand Master,

On motion, duly seconded, the address was referred by the Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master to the Committee on Reports of Grand Officers.

The reports of the Grand Recorder, Grand Treasurer and Grand Lecturer were then read and referred to the Committee on Reports of Grand Officers, except so much thereof as refers to Finance, that portion to go to the Finance Committee.

GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Grand Council Constitution, your Grand Recorder herewith presents his report for the year ending with the present annual assembly.

The Journal of Proceedings of the Forty-ninth Annual Assembly was published and distributed as follows: One copy to each Grand and Past Grand Officer; one copy to each Grand Representative; four copies to each Council within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Council of California, (for the use of the first three Officers and the Recorder), and three copies to each Grand Jurisdiction with which we are in communication. Copies have also been mailed on request to the several Masonic Libraries throughout the United States, and to the editors of the various Masonic publications, in acknowledgment of which the office of the Grand Recorder has been supplied with magazines and papers devoted to Masonry.

"In Memoriams" have been received reporting the passing to rest of several Illustrious Companions of other Grand Jurisdictions. We extend to them our heartfelt sympathy.

The Grand Council of California has also met with an irreparable loss in the death of our genial and beloved Grand Treasurer, Most Illustrious Companion Franklin Henry Day.

The Committee on Necrology will pay a fitting tribute to the memory of our departed Companions.

The Dispensations issued and Grand Representatives appointed have been reported in the address of our Grand Master.

Commissions have been received appointing the following Illustrious Companions, Grand Representatives near the Grand Council of California:

October 18th, 1909—Wm. Hewson Davis, Los Angeles, to represent Oklahoma.

December 21st, 1909—John Francis Hughes, Los Angeles, to represent North Carolina. (Reappointed.)

December 15th, 1909—Albert Humphreys Merritt, Elmhurst, to represent Iowa. (Reappointed.)

January 29th, 1910—Franklin Henry Day, San Francisco, to represent Massachusetts. (Reappointed.)

A summary of the annual reports shows, 21 working Councils and 2470 Royal and Select Masters on our roster; a gain for the year of 115.

The receipts have been:

For Fees and Dues	$1364 50
Dispensations, New Councils	15 00
Charter Fees	80 00
Special Dispensations	5 00
Unexpended portion of Grand Masters Visitation Expenses returned by Wm. H. Gaynor	5 20
Council Rituals	50 00
Interest on Deposits	146 69
Total Receipts	$1666 39

The balance of $65.00 in the Grand Council Relief Fund reported at our last Assembly, remains on deposit in the Alameda National Bank.

Fraternally submitted,

THOS. A. DAVIES,
Grand Recorder.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California.

The undersigned respectfully submits the following statement of receipts and disbursements since his appointment to the office of Grand Treasurer.

THE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO IN ACCOUNT WITH THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

W. FRANK PIERCE, *Grand Treasurer.*

1910.	*Receipts.*		
Jan. 27.	To cash from F. H. Day	$ 277 50	
Jan. 27	To cash from S. F. Savings Union	3642 86	
Feb. 1	To cash from Grand Recorder	91 50	
11	To cash from Grand Recorder	66 50	
15	To cash from Grand Recorder	177 50	
18	To cash from Grand Recorder	54 50	
25	To cash from Grand Recorder	31 00	
28	Interest	8 77	
Mar. 1	To cash from Grand Recorder	100 00	
10	To cash from Grand Recorder	509 50	
29	To Interest	8 04	$4967 67

Disbursements.

1910			
Jan.	By Warrant No. 3	$ 10 00	
	By Warrant No. 4	7 50	
	By Warrant No. 5	30 00	
	By Warrant No. 6	31 85	
	By Warrant No. 7	50 00	
	By Warrant No. 8	6 00	
	By Warrant No. 9	18 10	
	By Warrant No. 10	25 50	
	By Warrant No. 11	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 12	430 00	
	By Warrant No. 13	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 14	8 60	
	By Warrant No. 15	9 25	
	By Warrant No. 16	5 92	
	By Warrant No. 17	50 00	
	By Warrant No. 18	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 19	47 10	
	By Warrant No. 20	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 21	1 25	
	By Warrant No. 22	5 50	
	By Warrant No. 23	22 96	
	By Warrant No. 24	279 50	
	By Warrant No. 25	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 26	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 27	70 00	
	By Warrant No. 28	5 00	
	By Warrant No. 29	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 30	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 31	6 00	
	By Warrant No. 32	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 33	1 65	
	By Warrant No. 34	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 35	30 00	
Mar. 31	By Warrant No. 36	55 00	
	By Warrant No. 37	10 00	
	By Warrant No. 38	36 75	
	Balance	3614 24	$4967 67

Fraternally submitted,

W. FRANK PIERCE,
Grand Treasurer.

GRAND LECTURER'S REPORT.

April 18th, 1910.

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, of the State of California.

ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANIONS:—In the hope that my energy and success in Council interests and Council work since our last Assembly will meet with your approbation, I have much pleasure in presenting to you the following report of the progress achieved.

POMONA COUNCIL, No. 21.

May 15th, 1909. I had arranged to constitute Pomona Council on Saturday, May 15th, 1909; on arriving in Los Angeles, however, I learned that the Companions interested had deemed it advisable to postpone said ceremonies, owing to counter-attractions probably interfering with the attendance of the members; I therefore handed my proxy to Past Grand Master, William Henry Gaynor, to act for me in the constitution of said Council.

OROVILLE COUNCIL, No. 22.

June 3rd. Constituted Oroville Council and installed the officers; not as large an attendance as expected, owing to the excessive heat of the weather; conferred the Royal, Select and Super Excellent Degrees upon two Companions.

SAN JOSE COUNCIL, No. 20.

June 10th. Constituted San Jose Council and installed the officers, assisted by Grand Conductor, Companion Thomas O. Heydenfeldt; large attendance. Officers proficient in their work; membership of fifty the first year.

SANTA BARBARA COUNCIL, No. 19.

November 16, witnessed the conferring of the Cryptic Degrees in Santa Barbara Council, the officers acquitting themselves in a very laudable manner, the Recorders's books being a model of perfection.

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL, No. 1.

December 21. Installation of officers—Thrice Illustrious Master, Companion J. A. Courter, having memorized the installation services, proved a very efficient installing officer, and I derived much pleasure in assisting him as Master of Ceremonies.

SHASTA COUNCIL, No. 6.

January 13, 1910, visited Shasta Council. Companion A. Bystle, Thrice Illustrious Master, conferred the Royal Master's Degree in a very efficient manner, and at his request I conferred the Select and Super Excellent degrees upon a class of nine Companions. The offi-

a very efficient manner, and at his request I conferred the Select and Super Excellent degrees upon a class of nine Companions. The officers were enthusiastic in their work, and anxious to improve; also worthy of great credit considering the few opportunities afforded for practice. All expenses incurred while in Redding being defrayed by the Companions of Shasta Council.

SAN JOSE COUNCIL, No. 20.

March 11, 1910, witnessed the conferring of the Royal and Select Master's degrees in San Jose Council, upon a class of ten Companions, the work being executed in such an efficient manner by all the officers, I invited them to exemplify same at this session of the Grand Council. Organized only last year, they now equal in proficiency in their work any of their sister Councils.

GATEWAY COUNCIL, No. 13.

March 26, 1910, accompanied by Grand Master, Companion William O. Girardey, visited Gateway Council, and conferred the three degrees upon a class of nineteeen Companions from Nevada City and Colfax. Everyone well satisfied with the recollection of an evening well spent.

OROVILLE COUNCIL, No. 22.

April 7, 1910, accompanied by Grand Master, Companion William O. Girardey, visited Oroville Council, informal meeting, giving the Companions some instruction in the degree work, and holding a general discussion to advance the interests of Cryptic Masonry in Oroville.

Ten Council Rituals were sold by the Grand Lecturer during the year at $1.00 each; total $10.00, which has been paid to the Grand Recorder.

Number of Rituals in hands of the Grand Lecturer April 1, 1910, 16.

Grand Lecturer's expenses incurred in visitations from April, 1909, to April, 1910, were $54.80, an itemized account of which appears in the bill rendered the Grand Recorder.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ASCROFT,

Grand Lecturer.

The Committee on Correspondence, Most Illustrious Companion James Bestor Merritt, presented the report of that Committee. The report was ordered published with the Journal of Proceedings.

The following resolution, introduced by M.·.I.·.Companion

W. Frank Pierce, Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer shall select a bank, and when such selection is approved by the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master it shall be the designated depository of this Grand Council, and all the money or funds shall be deposited therein in the name and to the credit of the "Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California, ——————, Grand Treasurer."

That the money or funds of the Grand Council shall be withdrawn and paid out from the said depository only on warrant signed "Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California" by the Grand Master or Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Recorder, countersigned by the Grand Treasurer.

Illustrious Companion Thos. O. Heydenfeldt moved that a special committee be appointed, and that Grand Chapter be requested to name a committee to confer with said special committee for the purpose of formulating a plan similar to that adopted by the Grand Chapter and Grand Council of Texas relative to the Cryptic Degrees. Motion carried unanimously, and the Grand Master named Companions Henry S. Orme, James Bestor Merritt and Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt as such committee.

In explanation of the motion of Companion Heydenfeldt we feel that we can not do better than quote from the correspondence report of Companion W. F. Cleveland, Grand Council of Iowa, 1908.

As the result of our research we are pleased to assure our Companions of Iowa that Cryptic Masonry still lives and is making substantial growth in every Jurisdiction throughout the country, except here in Iowa. We are criticised by some of the Masonic writers, who from a distance judge of us by results alone without knowing existing conditions or seeking to inform themselves regarding the situation in this Grand Jurisdiction. Our membership has been decreasing for several years past even in these piping times of prosperity. When the pruning of dead branches has been completed we will commence to grow.

Companion Warvelle, of Illinois, alone seems to have realized the situation and what we have had to contend with. Keep your eyes on us from now on. Those writers who in the past have been such

ardent advocates of the prerequisite idea and have honestly believed that the Council degrees could not continue to live without the Grand Encampment recognized them as necessary to qualify for the Orders of the Temple should take courage from the course pursued by the Grand Chapter of Texas. Upon their surrender of the Council degrees and the rehabilitation of the Grand Council of Texas after its forty years of slumber, springing into renewed life with 215 organized subordinate Councils and a total membership of 12,580, leaving the Grand Council of Ohio with its 9,167, and Massachusetts with 7,120, and all the others completely in the shade. We would commend the course pursued by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas towards the new Grand Council, first in appropriating the sum of $200 towards paying the expense of reorganizing the Grand Council, and next in changing their laws in the interests of the Councils, viz.: Requiring that every petition for a new Chapter must be accompanied by a petition for a new Council, together with the fee for same, which petition and fee are delivered by the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter to the Grand Recorder of the Grand Council. Petitions for the Chapter degrees must be accompanied by a petition for the Council degrees, together with the fees for same, the petition and fee to be delivered to the Recorder of the Council by the Secretary of the Chapter after the Candidate has received the Royal Arch degree. This we believe would effectually solve the difficulties that Cryptic Masonry has ever been compelled to contend with. It is in the power of every Grand Chapter of the United States to follow in the footsteps of the Grand Chapter of Texas—adopt the "Texas idea." For every chartered Chapter in Texas there is a Council, and these two bodies are so closely associated together that as the Chapter membership grows so grows the Councils. We believe that Cryptic Masonry in Iowa has arrived at a turning point in its history and from now on will see an increase rather than a loss in membership.

Fraternally submitted,

W. F. CLEVELAND.

HARLAN, IOWA, October, 1908.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORTS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California.

Your committee on the reports of Grand Officers have carefully considered the Address of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, and heartily approve and endorse his administration of the affairs of the Grand Council.

We recommend that so much of his report as relates to the death

of Grand Treasurer Franklin Henry Day be referred to the Committee on Necrology.

That so much as pertains to new Councils be referred to the Committee on New Councils.

We recommend that all other portions of the address be approved.

Your committee heartily approves the characteristic fervency and zeal displayed by the Grand Lecturer in the discharge of the duties of his office.

We recommend that so much of his report as refers to the expenses of his office be referred to the Committee on Finance.

We recommend that so much of his report as relates to new Councils be referred to the Committee on New Councils.

That all other portions of the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted.

CHARLES WILLIS NORTON.
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE.
GEORGE PENLINGTON.
Committee.

The report was concurred in, and the references made as recommended by the committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW COUNCILS.

To the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of California.

Your Committee on New Councils have made an examination of the records of the Council's under dispensation, located at San Diego and Yreka, and find the same correct. The said Councils are working in accordance with the laws and regulations of this Grand Council. We therefore recommend that their petitions be granted, and that charters be issued to them under the names and numbers of San Diego Council No. 23, and Siskiyou Council No. 24.

Respectfully submitted.

BEN. B. CARTWRIGHT,
HARRY JACOBY,
GEORGE PLINEY HILL,
Committee.

The report was concurred in and the Charters ordered issued as recommended by the committee.

M.'.I.'.Companion James Bestor Merritt, on behalf of the Finance Committee, offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Recorder of this Grand Council be directed to procure, each year, a Past Grand Master's Jewel, at a cost

not to exceed fifty ($50) dollars, to be presented to each retiring Grand Master.

(Signed) JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.
THOS. O. HEYDENFELDT.
JOHN GOULD BISBEE.
Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

The Committees on Jurisprudence and Appeals and Grievances reported that nothing had been referred to them requiring action on their part at the present Assembly.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND RETURNS.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California.

Your committee has examined the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder and find them correctly kept, in accordance with the regulations of Grand Council.

The cash balance of $3,679.24 is on deposit with the Bank of San Francisco.

We recommend the following appropriations to cover the expenses of Grand Council for the ensuing Cryptic year:

For printing journal of the present assembly	$200 00
For expenses Grand Master's visitations	150 00
For salary Grand Recorder	125 00
For contingent expenses, Grand Recorder's office	50 00
For premium insurance policy	12 00
For rent, Grand Recorder's office	120 00
For Chairman Committee on Correspondence	50 00
For rent of hall, Fiftieth Assembly	30 00
For lunch for Fiftieth Assembly	50 00
For testimonial to Grand Master Girardey	50 00
For salary Grand Organist	7 50
For salary Grand Sentinel	7 50
For special fund for reprinting proceedings	500 00
For expenses Grand Lecturer, already incurred	54 80
	$1,406 80

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT,
JOHN GOULD BISBEE,
THOS. O. HEYDENFELDT,
Committee.

The report was concurred in and the appropriations made as recommended by the committee.

The time having arrived for the election of Officers, the Grand Master appointed Companions Charles Willis Norton, George Penlington and Wm. Henry Gaynor, Tellers, and the election proceeded with the following result:

M.·.I.·.Comp. THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, Grand Master.
R.·.I.·.Comp. BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT, Deputy Grand Master.
R.·.I.·.Comp. JOSEPH ABNER COURTER, Grand Principal Conductor of Work.

R.·.I.·.Comp. W. FRANK PIERCE, Grand Treasurer.
R.·.I.·.Comp. THOMAS ABRAHAM DAVIES, Grand Recorder.

The Tellers were thanked and dismissed, the Installation of Officers made the special order for 3:30 o'clock and Grand Council called off for lunch until 1 o'clock P. M.

Asylum of Golden Gate Commandery.

Monday, April 18th, 1910, 1 o'clock P. M.

The Grand Council was called on, the Grand Master presiding.

The Degrees of Royal Master and Select Master were then exemplified by San Jose Council No. 20, under the supervision of Grand Lecturer, Companion Henry Ascroft, the admirable rendition of these beautiful degrees being thoroughly appreciated. The thanks of the Officers and Members present were extended to San Jose Council by a rising vote; and it was ordered that any expense incurred by the Council as a result of the exemplification be paid by Grand Council.

Past Grand Masters Pierce and Willett entertained Grand Council with an account of their several visitations to the General Grand Council, Companion Willett representing California in 1906 and Companion Pierce in 1909.

The Grand Master-elect then made the following appointments:

R.·.I.·.JAMES BESTOR MERRITT, Grand Chaplain.

R.·.I.·.Henry Ascroft, Grand Lecturer.
R.·.I.·.Thos. O. Heydenfeldt, Grand Captain of Guard.
R.·.I.·.Chas. Sherman Anderson, Grand Conductor of Council.
R.·.I.·.Wm. Preston Butcher, Grand Steward.
Ill.·.Samuel David Mayer, Grand Organist.
Ill.·.Geo. Washington Perkins, Grand Sentinel.
M.·.I.·.James Bestor Merritt, Committee on Correspondence.

The Officers elected and appointed were then installed, by the Most Illustrious Wm. Ohmer Girardey, Companion Henry Ascroft acting as Grand Marshal, and due proclamation made thereof.

No further business appearing, the minutes were read and approved and Grand Council closed in Ample Form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

A true copy of the Proceedings of the Fiftieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters held in Golden Gate Commandery Asylum, San Francisco April 18th, 1910.

Witness my signature, with the seal of our Grand Council, and the attestation thereunto of our Grand Recorder.

T. H. Dimond

Grand Master.

Attest:

Thos. A. Davies

Grand Recorder.

APPENDICES

I. General Regulations 4 and 5.

II. In Memoriam.

III. Returns of Councils.

IV. Summary of Council Returns.

V. Recapitulation of Statistics.

VI. Grand Recorders of Other Jurisdictions.

VII. Representatives to and from Other Grand Councils.

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IX. Grand Council Constitution.

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GENERAL REGULATIONS

Adopted, April 18, 1910.

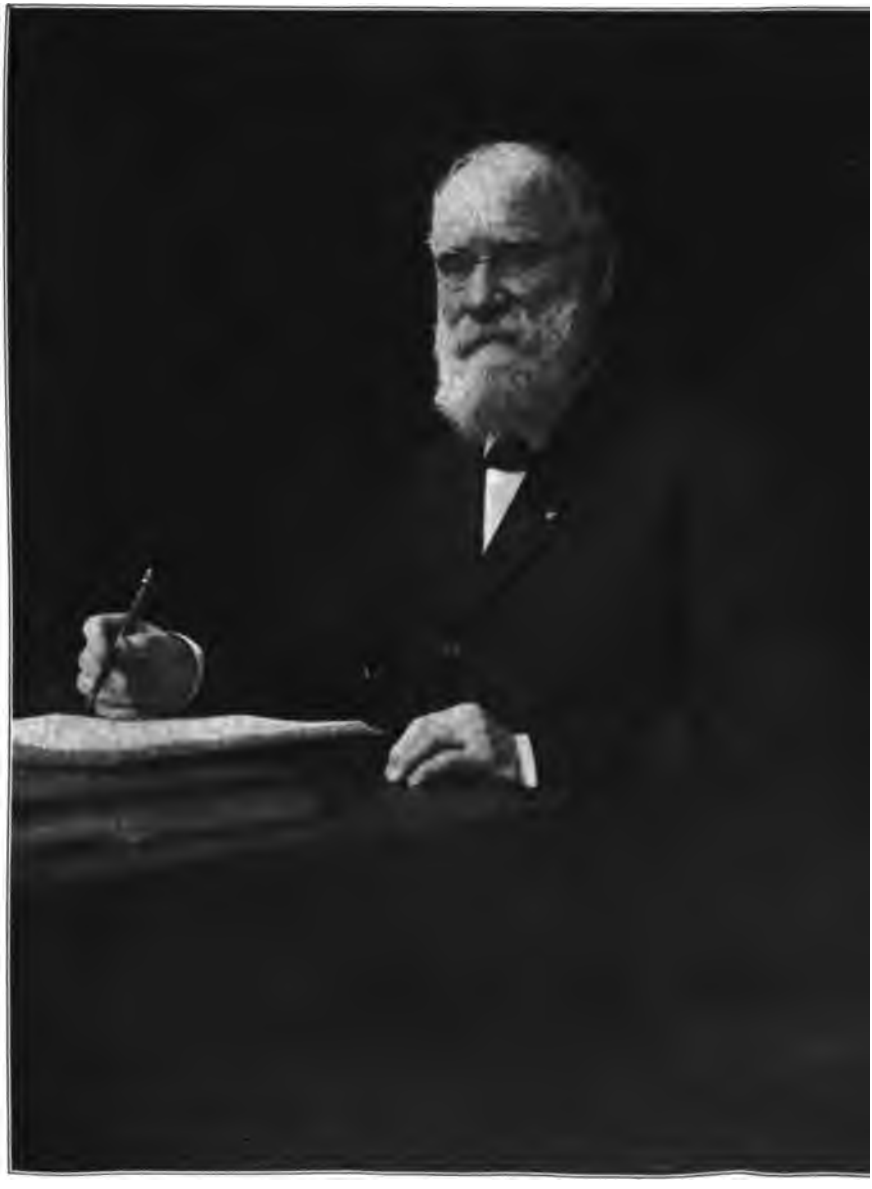
4. That the Grand Treasurer shall select a Bank, and when such selection is approved by the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master, it shall be the designated depository of this Grand Council, and all the money or funds shall be deposited therein, in the name and to the credit of the "Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California, ..., Grand Treasurer."

That the money or funds of the Grand Council shall be withdrawn and paid out from the said depository only on warrant signed "Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California," by the Grand Master or Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Recorder, countersigned by the Grand Treasurer.

5. That the Grand Recorder of the Grand Council be directed to procure, each year, a Past Grand Master's Jewel, at a cost not to exceed fifty ($50) dollars, to be presented to each retiring Grand Master.

Our Dead

"Oh grave! a sacred trust
To thee is given! No common ashes sleep
Within thy guardian arms: securely keep
This consecrated dust,
Till, quickened with new life, it shall arise,
A glorious body, fitted for the skies!"



MOST ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANION

Franklin Henry Day

BORN JANUARY 5, 1827—DIED MARCH 16, 1910

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We seem to stand upon the shores of a great sea, beyond which, far out of sight, lies a land mysterious and silent, all unknown to us. We see the white sails, less and less distinctly, of the ships that bear away from us to that other land, those whom we have known so long and loved so well. Soon the last shadowy, ghostlike gleam vanishes and the vast restless ocean, with its solemnm loneliness, oppresses us. There are no sails coming back with messages of loving remembrance from the remote regions of that voiceless and immeasurably waste of waters. But we know that the land of promise is there beyond the broad expanse of ocean, and God in whom Masons put their trust, has impressed upon their souls the profound convictions, ever legible and ineffaceable. His revelation of the truth to us, that when we in turn shall go away across the waters we shall then see and know again the dead whose memories are dear, and the tokens of their affection precious to all.—*Albert Pike.*

"We long for the touch of a vanished hand, for the sound of a voice that is still." On the 16th day of March last our friend and companion, FRANKLIN HENRY DAY passed away at the McNutt Hospital in San Francisco. His genial countenance and ready story will be sadly missed by all those whose good fortune it was to have known and associated with him. His various Masonic duties occupied his time both day and night, yet was he found ever ready to put his work aside and go to the assistance of one in distress.

He was an active and earnest worker in both civic and Masonic circles. Born in Gowanda, Cattaraugas County, New York, he received a common school education and adopted the profession of bookkeeping, which he has followed all his life. He came to California in 1853, residing in San Francisco continuously from that time. He was employed in the banking houses of Page, Bacon & Co., Drexel, Sather & Church, California National Bank of San Francisco, Kellogg & Humbert, Kellogg, Hewston & Co., San Francisco Assaying and Refining Works, and the Pacific Refining and Bullion Exchange as secretary and cashier for more than seventeen years.

In the course of his Masonic career he was chosen to fill

the following stations: Worshipful Master of California Lodge No. 1, in 1877-1878, of which he was also a life member and secretary from 1892 until his death; Grand Marshal of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge in 1885; a life member of California Chapter No. 5, he served as High Priest in 1881-2-3-4, and as secretary from 1892 to March, 1910, inclusive. He served the Grand Convention of the Order of High Priesthood of the State of California as Conductor and Recorder. He was elected Grand High Priest April, 1890, and Grand Treasurer of the Grand Chapter April, 1893, serving as such until his death. Companion DAY was also the Grand Representative of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Arizona.

He was elected and served as Thrice Illustrious Master of California Council No. 2, R. and S. M., in 1881-2, and Recorder from 1892 to 1910, inclusive. Elected Grand Master of the Grand Council of California in 1885, and Grand Treasurer in 1887, serving in that capacity until his death.

A life member of California Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, he was elected Eminent Commander in 1884. He was also Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of Kentucky near the Grand Jurisdiction of California.

Companion DAY received the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite from the fourth to the thirty-second, inclusive, in 1880 at San Francisco.

Illustrious Potentate of Islam Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., San Francisco, in 1888-1889, he was the first Potentate to serve two years.

A thorough Mason, in all that the word implies, a true friend, beloved by all. "He gave his honors to the world again, his blessed part to heaven, and sleeps in peace." His epitaph, Here lieth a good man.

In Memoriams received from the Grand Councils of Illinois, Ohio, New York and Wisconsin remind us that they, too, have been visited by the sable-garbed messenger and mourn the loss of the following Most Illustrious Companions:

Illinois—Past Grand Master JOHN O'NEILL, who died at his home in the city of Chicago, Sunday, September 25th, 1909, at the advanced age of seventy-four years.

Ohio—Past Grand Master WILLIAM MOORE CUNNINGHAM, who passed away at his home in Newark, Ohio, Monday, August 16, 1909, aged 80 years, 5 months and 7 days.

New York—Grand Master MORRIS S. MACKENZIE, who passed from this life on Monday, March 7, 1910. He died at the early age of forty-three, having been born March 24, 1867, at Bath-on-the-Hudson.

Wisconsin—Past Grand Master WILLIAM N. PENNELL, born in Chester, Pennsylvania, May 29, 1840, died at his home in Milwaukee, Friday, October 22, 1909. He was buried with Masonic honors by Wisconsin Lodge No. 13, attended by a Templar Escort. Most Illustrious Companion PENNELL was the Grand Representative of the Grand Council of California near Wisconsin.

To the families, friends and associates of these Illustrious Companions we tender our heartfelt sympathy.

With our own Councils we drop the sprig of Acacia in memory of those Companions, officers and members, who have passed to rest since our last report. We shall see them no more, until we too shall have put on immortality. Peaceful be thy sleep.

The several Councils report the following Companions as having answered the final call:

Sacramento Council No. 1.

HENRY ALLTUCKER.....December 14, 1909
JACOB LEVISON.....June 6, 1909

California Council No. 2.

ROBERT HORACE WHITE.....October 4, 1909
GEORGE TISDALE BROMLEY.....June 30, 1909
EDWIN TYSON DOW.....November 13, 1909
JOHN GEDDES EAGLESON.....May 4, 1909
EDWARD GILBERTS.....December 5, 1909
CHARLES KEILUS.....February 5, 1910
WILLIAM HENRY LYON.....June 30, 1909
SILAS MERCER MOUSER.....September 13, 1909
JOHN BRINKWORTH TAYLOR.....February 10, 1909

Marysville Council No. 3.

Lemuel Trescott Crane, P. T. I. M. ..... September 6, 1909
William Slingsby ..... May 17, 1909

Shasta Council No. 6.

John William Garden ..... January 30, 1910

Helena Council No. 9.

Michael Reinig ..... September 20, 1909

Stockton Council No. 10.

Charles Morrell Keniston, D. I. M. ..... March 3, 1909
Benjamin Franklin Rolerson ..... August 2, 1909
John Whitney Sefley ..... December 10, 1909
Edward Reese Thompson ..... March 6, 1909
David Hadcock ..... June 5, 1909

Los Angeles Council No. 11.

Calvin Case Bowen ..... February 22, 1909
Frederick J. Harrington ..... May 4, 1909
John Condit Haskell ..... June 25, 1909
Charles Lawrence Heartt ..... September 3, 1909
William M. Johnson ..... July 7, 1909
Fred Leonard Lee ..... March 23, 1909
Alex. Millard Filmore McCullough ..... August 19, 1909
John A. McLeod ..... March 13, 1909
Willis Harsay Routzahn ..... September 3, 1909
Edgar Eugene Selph ..... February 10, 1909
Henry Holland Taylor ..... April 15, 1909
Daniel Henry Walker ..... September 3, 1909

Oakland Council No. 12.

Alfred William Burrell ..... April 9, 1909
Thomas Powell Emigh ..... September 7, 1909
Daniel Edward Hayes ..... December 25, 1909
Chris Keiser ..... July 29, 1909

PETER NICHOLAS KUSS.....September, 4,1909
HORRY WERT MEEK.....January 20, 1910
CHARLES DEXTER PIERCE.....October 17, 1909

Gateway Council No. 13.

JACOB HART NEFF, P. G. M., P. T. I. M.....March 26, 1909

Pasadena Council No. 16.

CHARLES HILLIARD RHODES.....January 6, 1910
WILLIAM SHIBLEY.....August 15, 1909
ROMAYNE WILLIAMS.....June 17, 1909

Santa Barbara Council No. 19.

JABEZ TUNIS CRANE.....June 9, 1909
CHARLES EDWARD TODD.....May 19, 1909

San Jose Council No. 20.

JEFFERSON COLLINS.....March 24, 1909

"The mists of death hang low upon Life's sea,
The unseen shore,
Beyond the darkness rises silently
Forevermore.
The golden city flashes from the strand,
But naked eye sees not the distant land.

But there are voices in that unseen land
Which we have heard,
Of loved ones standing with us hand in hand,
With smile and word.
That kindled here our hearts with friendship's glow,
And breathed on us their music soft and low.

We knew them here, and with them wept and smiled,
Our life was one;
We met and parted, still each beguiled;
Their work was done.
And they are resting in the morning land,
And we toiling yet with heart and hand.

Speed on my bark, life's stormy sea across
The mist will rise;
And every pain and tear and earthly loss,
In strange surprise,
Shall vanish when the unseen shore shall greet,
Thine eye, and thou shalt touch the golden street."

Fraternally submitted,

THOS. A. DAVIES,

Grand Recorder.

RETURNS OF COUNCILS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

Grand Council of California

A. D. 1910, A. Dep. 2910.

SACRAMENTO COUNCIL, NO. 1.

SACRAMENTO, SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, last Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

August Frederick Lehrman, *T. I. M.*
Richard Alderson, *D. I. M.*
Cordon Lewis Pardee, *P. C. W.*
William Monroe Petrie, *Treasurer.*
James Ellsworth Thompson, *Recorder.*
Clifton Stimmel Hite, *C. G.*
James Merrill James, *Cond.*
Henry August Wm. Lindegreen, *Steward.*
Cephas Charles Olney, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Monroe Petrie, *P. G. M.*
William Hewson Davis, *P. G. M.*
Harry Ingham
Richard Vaughan
Richard Palmer Burr
Alexander John Gardiner
David Farr
Louis Cyrus Schindler
Charles Richard Goss
James Ellsworth Thompson
George Dunn
Daniel Hyman
Thomas Joseph Hesson
Theodore Jones Milliken
William Ohmer Girardey, *P. G. M.*
Egbert Alfred Brown
John Abner Courter
James Francis Lyon
John McIndeor

SELECT MASTERS.

Alexander, Robert
Anderson, Joseph Maurice
Applegate, Thos. Jefferson
Baker, Alfred Septimus
Baldwin, William Hedges
Bassett, William Walter
Bassett, George Combs
Bates, Hugh Roland
Baughman, Noble Henry
Baughman, Wm. Elias John
Bittencourt, Thomas Maria
Beesley, Charles Henry

Black, John Alexander
Block, Maurice
Bock, George
Book, Franklin Weaver
Booth, Albert Porch
Boyd, Joseph Charles
Bragg, Charles Lourin
Breuner, John
Breuner, Louis Frederick
Bucknann, Fred William
Burgess, Alfred Llewellyn
Burnham, James Henry
Butler, Drury DeWolf
Butler, John Winchel Spencer
Camp, James Glasby
Carlson, Charles Alfred
Carroll, Edgar Barclay
Caselli, Ansono
Chapman, George Warren
Chrisman, Elmer Judson
Church, William Smithers
Clark, George Harvey
Clauss, John
Clemons, William Strong
Cohn, Edward Francis
Cook, George Nesbitt
Cooledge, Isaac Baldwin
Copelin, Thomas Edward
Cothrin, William Kip
Cox, Thomas Jones
Curtis, William Albert
Cuthbert, William Williams
De Coe, Culver Adam
Denson, Samuel Crawford
Derman, George Louis
Douglas, William Wallace
Dreyer, Rasmus Peter Nielsen
Duden, Ellsworth Frederick
Dunbar, Marcus William
Ellis, Henry Herbert Maxwell
Fairbank, Herbert Augustus
Feldhusen, John Henry
Folger, Alfred Gilbert
Forney, Henry Hinkle
Fox, Thomas
Foye, William Robinson Smith
Frahm, Claus
Frommelt, Hugo
Gardiner, Charles Francis
Gerber, William Emil
Gett, William Andrew
Gillis, Dugald
Gray, Frank Livingstone
Gray, Arthur Irvine
Guthrie, John William
Hale, Evert Wilbern
Hale, Marshal, Jr.
Hale, Prentiss Cobb
Hall, Thomas Bertram
Hall, Harry William
Hamilton, William Brown
Hammer, Mosheim Schumaker
Harms, Maynard Heim
Harper, Horatio Thomas
Hart, Aden Cavins
Harvey, Edwin Henry
Hatch, Wilber Mark
Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette
Haynes, Edward
Heilbron, Adolph
Heilbron, Henry August
Heintzelman, Taylor Washington
Heisen, Charles, Jr.
Heitman, John Henry
Hicks, John Benton
Hicks, William Arthur
Hoffman, Daniel Webster
Hollister, Charles Edwin
Hollister, Frank E.
Holmes, George Albert
Hoover, Benjamin Van Zandt
Hopkins, Edwin Carmi
Huth, Peter Jacob
Ilgner, Charles William
Irvine, Richard Cutrer
Jackson, William Franklin
Johnson, Hiram Warren
Johnson, Phillip
Johnson, Howard Kennedy
Jordan, Leander Richard
Kercheval, Howard Douglas

Keyes, Homer Frost
Kiesel, Frederick William
Kirby, William Don
Kimbrough, Richard Oscar
Kleinsorge, Henry Emil
Kleinsorge, William Edward
Klune, John Bernhard
Knights, William Durrant
Knights, William Rudd
Knox, William Frederick
Krebs, Harry Garfield
Lancaster, Frank Willard
Lane, George William
Lawson, Walter Brokaw
Lightner, Bonus
Little, Christopher
Luce, John Coachman
Marzen, Joseph, Jr.
Maslin, Prentiss
Mathews, Charles James
McCandless, George Lindley
McKee, Edwin Hervey
McKee, James Anderson
McLaughlin, William
McMartin, John Alexander
McMaster, James Curtin
Meister, George Albert
Meyer, Johann Gerhard
Menke, Anton
Miller, Dwight Henry
Moler, Clarence Raymond
Molter, Jacob Phillip
Morrison, James Mathew
Morton, Charles Wardle
Mull, Archibald Marison
Nichols, Arthur Lombard
Noack, Charles John
Ochsner, John
O'Neil, James
Peck, Nelson Stanley
Perkins, Charles Calley
Phillips, Charles Avery
Phipps, Charles Edward
Phipps, William Thomas
Pike, John Elias Tucker
Pipher, Joseph Elmer
Platt, Philemon Eli
Pope, Samuel, Jr.
Prouty, William Harrison
Putnam, George Prescott
Randle, George Nelson
Read, Herbert Alfred James
Rego, Edward Sunderland
Reid, Thomas Benton
Rideout, Benjamin Norman
Roblin, Frederick Albert
Root, Charles Albert
Royster, William Alexander
Schadt, Frederick William
Scheunert, Carl Emil
Schmid, Emil
Schroth, John George
Schwilk, Charles Fred
Scott, James
Scott, Thomas James
Sheldon, William Chauncey
Shonefelt, William Domer
Simmonds, William Shapel
Smith, Benjamin
Smith, Thomas
Springsted, Ernest Willard
Staunton, Frederick William
Stephens, Joseph Hardin
Stephenson, Harley Howard
Stevenson, Henry Llewellyn
Steffens, Joseph
Steinman, Bernard Ulmer
Stober, Frederick Conrad
Stoll, Benjamin Franklin
Straub, John
Strong, John Merritt
Swalley, Harry Martell
Sweany, John
Teichert, Adolph
Towle, Arthur Warren
Tozer, Charles Walter
Tudor, Glenn E.
Turner, Eldridge Curts
Ulp, Alfred
Van Fleet, William Carey

Vermilya, Abram John
Vaughn, Edward
Wachhorst, Eugene Stuart
Walther, Charles Frederick
Watkins, Delos Sumner
Welch, Benjamin
Welch, George Drake
Weil, Edward Adolph
West, Frederick Wm.
White, George Amos
White, John Lysander
Wilcox, Robert Burns
Williams, Austin Daniel
Willis, Evander Berry
Winterburn, George Howard
Wood, William
Wood, Thomas
Wood, Henry Clay
Woods, Victor Hugo
Woodward, George Allen
Wright, Charles Edward
Yardley, Herbert Edward
Yell, Archibald
Young, John Nelles—243.

WITHDRAWN.

Israel Joseph Johnson
Charles Gillette Leeson—2

EXCLUDED.

Pan Hugh McEntyre
Chas. Gabriel Woodburn—2

DIED.

Henry Alltucker
Jacob Levison—2

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	237	Withdrawn	2
Greeted	12—249	Excluded	2
		Died	2
		Now borne upon the roll	243—249

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL, NO. 2

SAN FRANCISCO, SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt, *T. I. M.*
Michael John Kelley, *D. I. M.*
George Penlington, *P. C. W.*
Charles Lord Field, *Treasurer.*
Thos. Abraham Davies, *Recorder.*
Harvey Arrington Marvin, *C of Guard.*
.....*Conductor*
John Adam McWilliams, *Steward.*
Samuel David Mayer, *Organist.*
George Washington Perkins, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Franklin Henry Day, *P. G. M.*
Charles Lord Field, *P. G. M.*
George Penlington, *P. G. M.*
Henry Ascroft, *P. G. M.*
Robert Ash, *P. G. M.*
Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt.

SELECT MASTERS.

Abrams, Joseph David
Adams, Charles Albert
Aigeltinger, Edward Hugo
Aitken, John R.
Alexander, Joseph
Allen, Richard Spicer
Allan, Robert Edward
Anderson, James Wright
Andrews, Edwin Harold
Andrews, Thomas P.
Armstrong, George Robert
Artigues, Charles A.
Ayers, Clarence Warwick
Baker, Charles Henry
Barbier, Howard Frederic
Barstow, William Addison
Bauer, Adolph Charles
Bauer, Chris John
Bauer, George William
Baum, David Andrew
Baum, Simon
Behrens, Ludwig Philip
Benedict, Courtland Smith
Beretta, Caesar Louis
Bernstein, Samuel
Berry, De Los Tracy
Berry, John Lafayette
Black, Marshall
Blackman, Ellis Aaron
Blackman, Morris Jacob
Blackman Oscar Lemuel
Blossom, Henry Eckford
Bocarde, James Blain
Bohle, Alfred Frederick
Bohls, Henry
Bone, Charles
Bonner, Ernest Chappell
Bonney, Charles Sumner
Booth, Frank Edmund
Borchardt, Paul
Bragg, Robert
Brandon, Frederick Duke
Braunschweiger, Edward
Brockman, George Robert
Browell, Jeremiah
Brunings, John Henry
Brunt, Walter Neat
Bugbee, Marwell Greene
Bullock, John Henry
Buswell, William Francis
Caley, John
Callinan, William
Campbell, Walter Chauncey
Caverly, Le Roy Eugene
Chamberlain, Philander Peregreen
Christian, Caesar
Clark, George Dickson
Cleve, Clarence Taylor
Cleveland, William Wordsworth
Cluness, William Ross
Coburn, Ira Winn
Collins, William Henry
Conlisk, Charles William
Cook, Joseph Wheeler
Cook, Morton Leon
Cox, Alexander Middleton
Crim, William Henry
Crocker, Henry Joseph
Crocker, William Henry
Cross, Charles Vernon
Cumback, William Elbert
Daggett, John Randolph
Darling, George Lewis
Davis, Burt Lincoln
Davis, Henry Harvey
Davis, Winfield Scott
Decker, Charles William
De Forest, Albert Tracy

De Lamare, August Jacques
Dewey, Henry Lincoln
Dietterle, George
Dobbel, Charles Henry Louis
Dobler, Charles
Dominguez, Richard Arthur
Dorn, Diademus Socrates
Dragomanovich, Spiro S. G.
Dunn, James
Dunne, James Patrick
Earle, Henry Halford
Easton, Daniel Elisha Foote
Easton, Wendell
Eckart, William Roberts
Eddy, Richard A.
Edwards, Hugh Pugh
Edwards, Thomas Clay
Edwards, William
Eisner, Milton Sidney
Erdmann, Wm. George Berthold
Erlin, George Edwin
Eva, James Martyn
Eva, Samuel James
Everding, James Campbell
Ewart, David Fraser
Fahrenholz, Frederick William
Ferguson, Phineas Fanning
Fetz, Joseph, Jr.
Feudner, Martin Otto
Filmer, George
Filmer, William Parker
Flint, Thomas
Fossey, Harry Edwin
Foster, Arthur William
Fox, Edwin Benton
Fraser, John P.
Frolich, Theodore
Fuller, William Henry
Gale, Frank Walter
Gale, John William
Garratt, Benjamin Franklin
Gehret, Frederick
Geilfuss, Carl
Getz, Marcus
Gordon, James Edward
Gould, Charles Walter
Grauerholz, Henry John
Gray, John Hatfield
Gray, William Smith
Green, Charles Ernest
Gruenhagen, Charles Henry
Gruenhagen, Theodore Godlove
Haas, David Leopold
Hagbom, Emil Wilhelm
Hale, Reuben Brooks
Hall, Otho Norris
Halloran, Joseph Francis
Hanselman, Andrew
Hansen, Frederick Ludwig
Hanson, William Henry
Harris, Marshall C.
Harris, Thomas Voel
Hassler, William Charles
Hatch, James Henry
Hawks, James Lawrence
Heller, Louis Charles
Hindle, William Henry
Hoffman, Henry Nathaniel
Hopkins, Timothy
Horn, Bernard Jeremiah
Hubbard, Henry Calvin
Huested, Orson Justus
Huff, William Henry Routin
Humphreys, William Penn
Hutchings, Hiram Samuel
Isaacs, Edward Samuel
Jacobs, Albert
Jacobs, Albert Pocorny
Jacobs, John Adolph
Jellison, Benjamin Franklin
Jewett, George Albert
Johnson, Roosevelt
Jones, Edward Campbell
Jones, Raymond William
Kent, Thaddeus Benning
Kern, Morris James
Kimball, Roy Thurston
King, Joseph Libbey
Kinne, Charles Mason
Kittredge, Ralph Bell

Klein, John Mathias
Koenig, Frank
Koenig, Friedrich H. W. D.
Kohler, Henry
Koop, Otto Lewis
Kramer, Louis George
Krieg, Anton
Landgrebe, Robert George
Laumeister, Gustave
Law, Hartland
Lawrence, William Babcock
Lee, John, Jr.
Lester, Henry Charles
Lewandowski, John Anthony
Lewers, Robert
Lewis, William
Lippman, George W.
Long, Herbert Clifton
Lowell, Albert Carroll
Lucas, Walter Edward
Lunt, George William
Lyman, William Whittingham
Lynch, Henry Hudson
MacBain, John
Mangrum, Arthur Sherman
Mann, James Monroe
Manner, Charles Vogt
Manning, Horatio Seymour
Mansfield, Joel Henry
Marquis, Ferdinand Phileas Carnac
Marsh, John Alfred
Martell, Harry Gaylord
Marvin, Frank W.
Marvin, Harvey Le Fevre
Mathews, George Sumner
Maundrell, Harry
Mayo, Henry Browne
McAbee, Louis Francis
McCarty, James
McDougall, Charles Campbell
McKellar, Norman
McMillan, Robert
Meigs, Anson Woodman
Merralls, William Augustus
Metzner, Charles Francis
Meyer, Arthur
Meyers, Jacob
Meyers, John Jacob
Miller, Thurlow Spragge
Moebus, Fred Wm. Gustav
Monckton, Frank Daniel
Moore, Andrew
Morgan, Charles Augustus
Moulton, Levi Everett
Muller, Louis
Mundwyler, John Jacob
Murdock, George Leonard
Murphy, Charles Henry
Myrson, Simon
Nelson, Arthur Julius
Neuhaus, Christian Henry Fred
Neustadter, Louis William
Newhall, Edwin White
Newman, George Howard
Nicholas, Nahum
Nonnenmann, Louis
Nopander, Louis Nicholas
Noteware, Edward Washington
Nuttall, Hasalom
O'Connor, Joseph
Olsen, William
Otersen, Herman
Overgaard, Soren Knudsen
Owen, Hugh James
Parker, Theodore Roosevelt
Patton, Charles Lewis
Peck, Philip
Pennington, George W.
Pennington, Thomas
Perine, George Mairs
Perkins, Samuel Henry
Perley, Albion Starbird
Phillips, William Rippard
Pike, Charles William
Poole, John Wesley
Prince, Henry Gilman
Raabe, Frederick Otto
Reinecke, Alfred Walter
Rice, Thomas Clarke

Rickon, Fredk. John Henry
Ridley, Arthur Ernest Brooke
Rieser, Edwin Oliver
Robertson, John Milne
Robinson, Thomas Braceland
Roeder, William Frederick
Ryan, Michael
Samter, Marks
Savage, Michael Joseph
Schetzel, Adolph Georg
Schmidt, Henry
Schmidt, Valentine
Schnee, Gustave
Schomer, George
Schreiber, Martin August W.
Schwab, Henry Frederick
Schwartz, Morris
Scott, Clarence Sydney
Scott, Henry Wilson
Seale, Alfred
Seibel, Philipp
Sewell, Daniel Robert
Silverstein, Jacob
Smith, Charles Lewis
Smith, Harry Lewis
Smith, Lewis Warren
Smith, William Jacob
Sorensen, James A.
Soule, Arthur Calvin
Soule, William Lloyd Garrison
Speier, Bernard
Spence, James Underhill
Stallman, Charles Christian
Starbird, Albion Wilson
Stephenson, Edward
Stoddart, Augustus Wynne
Sumner, Frank William
Sussman, Samuel
Suydam, Charles Henry
Swanberg, Charles Olof
Sykes, Charles Erastus
Taylor, George McClellan
Thierbach, Charles Frederick
Thomas, Harry Walter
Thompson, George
Thompson, Henry
Thompson, George Howard
Tonningsen, John
Trebell, Thomas
Troutt, James Morris
Tucker, Edwin Warren
Turpin, Andrew Walker
Twomey, James
Van Bergen, Henry
Vanderhurst, William
Veen, Frank Joseph
Von Staden, George
Von Wefelsburg, Alexander B.
Walker, Robert Andrew
Walter, Henry Franklin
Wapple, Albert Michael
Warwick, James Blain
Weidman, George Elias
Welch, Willard Choate, Jr.
Wendell, Clarence Theodore
Wertsch, Herman
Westphal, Otto Francis
Wetherbee, Charles
Wethered, William Lowry
Whicher, John
Whitcomb, Frank Randolph
Whitely, Henry Mallard
Whitman, Victor
Williams, George Henry
Williams, Henry Alston
Willman, Alexander
Wilson, Charles Harold
Wilson, Jeremiah Judson
Wilson, William Archibald
Wisnom, John
Wolf, Simon
Wood, Casimir Jackson
Woodbury, Warren Dean
Woodside, Alexander
Young, James
Young, Shirley Trevor—355.

RESTORED.

Charles Fayette Lott—1

WITHDRAWN.

William Edmund Price
Howard Black
Christian Hellwig
Charles Fayette Lott
Milton Alverd Wheaton
George Johnson—6

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

William Harvey Edwards—1

DIED.

Robert Horace White
George Tisdale Bromley
Edwin Tyson Dow
John Geddes Eagleson
Edward Gilberts
Charles Keilus
William Henry Lyon
Silas Mercer Mouser
John Brinkworth Taylor—9

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	354	Withdrawn	6
Greeted	13	Suspended N. P. D.	1
Affiliated	3	Died	9
Restored	1—371	Now borne upon the roll	355—371

MARYSVILLE COUNCIL, NO. 3.

MARYSVILLE, YUBA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Lewis Boyd Wilcoxon, *T. I. M.*
Peter Engel, *D. I. M.*
Isaac Curtis Evans, *P. C. W.*
Joseph Durfee, *Treasurer.*
James Fred Eastman, *Recorder.*
Edward John McCready, *C. of Guard.*
Arthur Walter Gluckman, *Conductor.*
Eugene T. Barrett, *Steward.*
Edgar Taber, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles E. Stone
Atkins Clark Bingham
Frank B. Miller
Alexander Cameron Irwin
Joseph Durfee
Solomon Lewek

SELECT MASTERS.

Belcher, Richard
Berry, James McConnell
Brockman, John Henry
Buttelman, Frederick William
Campbell, James Cockburn
Cohn, Isaac Geballe
Cunningham, Edward Augustus
Ellis, William Turner
Ewell, Samuel
Fisher, Amos
Gribner, George Thomas
Griffith, Irwin
Hauss, Ferdinand
Hedger, Joseph Mason
Hopkins, Allen Bruscup
Hutchins, Gavin Walker
Lewis, Abram Walter
Lewis, Arthur Garfield
MacLellan, Harvey Everett
MacLellan, John George
Menz, Albert Julius
Mould, William
Peacock, William Flint
Peck, William Francis
Price, Charles John
Sanborn, Miles Edward
Schuler, Conrad
Sieber, Henry Frederick
Single, Joseph Henry
Skinner, Randolph Whitney
Sperbeck, John Bertier
Stafford, William Henry
Stanwood, Edward Babson—47

WITHDRAWN.

Richard Pearson Blood—1

DIED.

Lemuel Trescott Crane
William Slingsby—2

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
On roll per last report	36	Died	2
Greeted	14—50	Now borne upon the roll	47—50

SONORA COUNCIL, NO. 5.

SONORA, TUOLUMNE COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS.

James Henriksen, *T. I. M.*
Joseph Milton Smullen, *D. I. M.*
Alfred Hercules Rainville, *P. C. W.*
William White Eastman, *Treasurer.*
William Edwin Burden, *Recorder.*
Charles Henry Burden, *C. of Guard.*
Frank Albert Morgan, *Conductor.*
Harris James Coffill, *Steward.*
Abraham Barlow, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Frank Wilson Street
Crittenden Hampton
William Lyman Hood
James Henriksen

SELECT MASTERS.

Adair, Charles Francis
Allgewahr, George
Allgewahr, Louis
Arendt, Michael
Baker, Harry Walcott
Ball, Cary
Barton, Eugene Hamilton
Batten, John Henry
Beedle, Frederick Charles
Belli, Caesar Arthur
Belloni, Mark John Baptist
Blood, Harry Spaulding
Carmichael, Neil
Clough, Frederick Warren
Cooley, John
Cramer, Herman, Jr.
Dewitt, Wilmar
Driver, David Bakie
Eslick, Charles
Engstrom, Charles Otto
Evans, Job Montgomery
Flanders, Harry S.
Fletcher, Albert Carolan
Fontana, Charles Domenick
Fraser, Gregor Grant
Fulcher, Raymond Edgar
Garland, Warren Nathaniel
Graebe, Alfred Eugene
Godfrey, Charles Homens
Gould, Elisha Tolman
Howell, Harry John
Johns, Henry
Johns, Samuel Joseph
Johnson, Peter
Kennedy, Charles Thomas
Koch, William Alexander
Lagomarsino, James
Langford, James Terry
Loring, William Joseph
Manuel, Mathew Henry
McLaren, Duncan Allen
McPherson, John
Miller, John Jacob
Miller, Valentine William
Morgan, George Phillip
Morgans, Morgan Phillip
Nickerson, Ralph Byron
Nichols, Elmer Lincoln
Nicol, George Woodburn
Nuner, Charles Glover
Nuner, William Marble, Jr.
O'Connell, Charles Augustus
O'Connell, John Henry
Oliver, Dew Roger
Paulsen, Hans Christian
Poe, Adam W.
Potts, Warren Charles
Preston, Howard Alvin
Raggio, Joseph
Ratz, Frederick Henry
Roberts, David E.
Rose, Warren
Ross, Arthur Gilbert
Scott, William Richard
Segerstrom, Charles Homer
Shafer, Charles Edward
Shine, John Henry
Stratton, Daniel Edgar
Stuckey, Simon Filmore
Suess, Ignatz
Thompson, James Thomas
Thow, George
Tulloch, Charles Thomas
Vial, John
Wells, Frank Clinton
Wells, Thomas Washington
Wiemer, William
Wilson, Ernest Everett
Witney, John Lorin
Wonderley, John Martin—92.

RESTORED.

Joseph Raggio—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	90		
Greeted	1		
Restored	1—92	Now borne upon the roll	92

SHASTA COUNCIL, NO. 6.

REDDING, SHASTA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Adolphus Bystle, *T. I. M.*
Ferdinand Hurst, *D. I. M.*
Israel Joseph Johnson, *P. C. W.*
George Howard Sechrist, *Treasurer.*
Albert Frederick Ross, *Recorder.*
Albert Sherman Mason, *C. of Guard.*
Louis Breslauer, *Conductor.*
William Alfred D'Egilbert, *Steward.*
Samuel John Rosevear, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Albert Frederick Ross
Adolphus Bystle

SELECT MASTERS.

Ashcraft, Aldis Isaac
Beard, John Samuel
Blodgett, William Ora
Boswell, William Alexander
Braun, Charles Alex.
Brown, Ancil Lycurgus
Cahoone, William Brower
Collins, Richard Emmet
Coyne, William
Cummins, Harle Oren
Dozier, Charles Thomasson
Fish, William Andrew
Forbes, Willis Burton
Garabrant, Frank H.
Gillespie, William James
Glas, Maximilian
Hansen, James Dudley
Hawkins, Divine Zachariah
Hoyle, John Elkanah
Hoyle, Reuben
Hunt, William Broderick
Jacobson, Charles
Jeffrey, William
Jillson, Isaac Oliver
Lambson, Giles Hammond
Limnell, Edwin Michael
Labonte, Francis Xavier
Lowden, William Spencer
McCoy, Leo Lewis
McCrum, Benjamin
McLaggan, Elias James
McLannan, Donald Fraser
Muir, John MacQuarrie
Murphy, Sylvanus Everet
Overmeyer, Charles Edwin
Primm, Franklin Pierce
Patterson, Alex.
Reading, Robert Lee
Reynolds, John Edward
Richardson, James Lee

Rosland, Oscar O
Rowles, James
Satterlee, Franklin Peck
Sousa, Antonio Furtado
Stephenson, John Nicholas
Strode, George Crone
Strode, John Sale
Sutliff, Horace Auren
Swanson, John August
Sweeney, Edward
Teass, James Chester
Todd, Elmer Earl
Weil, Joseph
White, Sherman Tecumseh
Young, Edward Livingstone—64.

DIED.

John William Garden—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report	42		
Greeted	22	Died	1
Affiliated	1—65	Now borne upon the roll	64—65

HELENA COUNCIL, NO. 9.

HELENA, MONTANA.

Stated Assemblies, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

James F. McNamee, *T. I. M.*
Sarratt J. Burgess, *D. I. M.*
Cornelius Hedges, Jr., *P. C. W.*
Joseph J. Hindson, *Treasurer.*
George Booker, *Recorder.*
Edward Cason Day, *C. of Guard.*
James Wm. Christie, *Conductor.*
Louis Weigel, *Steward.*
Henry Cowden, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Joseph J. Hindson
Henry M. Parchen
Francis Doremus Jones

SELECT MASTERS.

Arvidson, Axel
Bennett, William G.
Boll, William Henry
Bray, Charles Henry
Cater, Charles S.
Cook, Andrew B.
Cummings, Patrick W.
Damon, Herbert William
Featherman, James Benjamin
Featherman, John A.
Garrett, Clarence B.
Glass, John Noble
Gunderson, Hans
Heninger, Matthew M.
Henningsen, Waldemare F.
Henry, Daniel B.
Hepner, H. Solomon
Holter, Anton M.
Holter, Martin M.
Hurvitch, Samuel
Jones, Louis L.
Kleinschmidt, Theodore H.

Lockey, Richard, Sr.
Lockey, Richard, Jr.
Lombard, Halsey W.
Middlemas, David W.
Mills, William Ernest
Moreland, Isaac Samuel
Nolan, Cornelius B.
Parchen, Albert D'acheul
Pickett, Henry Giles
Robinson, Jeremiah
Schwab, Samuel
Sederburg, Albert W.
Stewart, William Wallace
Strong, Harry
Switzer, Jacob
Tatem, Benjamin Hutchison
Wagstaff, Fred Irwin
Walker, John Longacre
Wallace, Francis Marion
Wood, George Rodney—53.

WITHDRAWN.

Henry Sommers—1

DIED.

Michael Reinig—1

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
On roll per last report	54	Died	1
Greeted	1—55	Now borne upon the roll	53—55

STOCKTON COUNCIL, NO. 10.

STOCKTON, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Carlton Coolidge Case, *T. I. M.*
.....*D. I. M.*
Henry William Bessac, *P. C. W.*
Edward Clement Stewart, *Treasurer.*
Arthur Morgan Noble, *Recorder.*
Albert Nelson Draper, *C. of Guard.*
Parke Edwin Grady, *Conductor.*
William Frederick Siegel, *Steward.*
Edgar Warren Butters, *Organist.*
Charles Edward Howe, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

William Abraham Davies, *P. G. M.*
Edward Richards Hedges, *P.G.M.*
Alexander Chalmers.
Charles Willis Norton, *P. G. M.*
Carlton Coolidge Case

SELECT MASTERS.

Adams, Charles Campbell
Andrus, William Frank
Balta, George
Barnett, Henry Addison

Bauer, Adolph
Beckman, Henry
Beckman, Theodore Henry
Bennett, Paul Witherby
Blodgett, John Millard
Boggs, Frank Shackelford
Bottomley, Charles Monroe
Bradford, George Hosack
Briggs, Herbert Hamilton
Briscoe, Henry Ferguson
Brown, Philip Thomas
Brown, George Albert, Jr.
Burgess, Wilford Harmon
Burgess, Isaiah Paul
Caine, John
Castle, Durrett Oliver
Catts, George Elbert
Clark, Fred Pope
Cobb, Frank Dyckman
Cory, John Braly
Cowper-Thwaite, Edward
Cross, Samuel Nelson
Crump, John Edward
Dalby, Samuel Pierce
Farnsworth, Clovis Alonzo
Finnell, Michael
Fitzgerald, William Wesley
Fraser, Philip Barry
Friedberger, Joseph
Friedberger, Leo
Fussell, George
Garwood, John
Gazzolo, Victor
Gershbacher, Joshua Barre
Grooshauser, Frank
Gross, Edward Emil
Grunsky, Eugene Moritz
Haight, Louis Montrose
Henderson, Orrin Staples
Hill, George Washington
Holt, Pliny Eastman
Hull, James Porterfield
Jory, John
Kean, Camden Warren
Keyes, Henry Calcut
Kincaid, Fred Llewellyn
Kinnear, James Willard
Krog, Peter Christian
Langford, George William
Latta, Samuel Eikenbarry
Le Moin, George Worley
Lorenz, William Henry
Maschek, Charles Herman
Mallett, Albert
Mauzer, Frank Eugene
McGowan, Elmer Hoover
McKenzie, George Alexander
McKinnon, Elbert Dwight
McLeod, John H.
McNoble, George Francis
Meyer, Fred Olin
Meyers, Herman Carson
Miller, John Henry
Muenter, August Edward
Neumiller, Charles Louis
Peart, Luke W.
Pollard, Fred Albert
Powell, Barton Jerome
Reid, Robert Asa
Rhoads, William Henry Harrison
Robinson, Isaac Henry
Roe, Joseph William
Russell, Richard William
Schlichtman, Claus
Sibley, Walter Frank
Sink, Reuben Henry
Smith, Frank Hartford
Smith, Thomas Thornton
Smith, Wellington Treat
Snow, William
Steinbeck, Wilhelm Peter
Stites, Joseph Augustus
Stitt, Philemon Herbert
Stone, William Henry
Swain, Joseph Henry
Tatterson, George Watson
Tatterson, Arthur Potter
Thompson, Thomas Richard

Tindall, Pleasant Hay
Wakefield, Edward Harlan
Yardley, John—108.

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
		Died	5
On roll per last report	114	Now borne upon the roll	108—114

LOS ANGELES COUNCIL, NO. 11.

LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Samuel Edgerton Burke, *T. I. M.*
John Hill Bean, *D. I. M.*
.....*P. C. W.*
Walter Clements Durgin, *Treasurer.*
Caleb Amos Yarnell, *Recorder.*
Harry Clifton Knox, *C. of Guard.*
Quinton John Rowley, *Conductor.*
Robie Everett Dill, *Steward.*
Adolph J. Maas, *Sentinel.*
(Zabud No. 4, Topeka, Kansas.)

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Henry Sayre Orme, *P. G. M.*
Granville Quincy Stewart
Robert Gilmore Cunningham
August Wackerbarth, *P. G. M.*
William Byron Scarborough, *P. G. M.*
David Monroe Sutherland, *P. G. M.*
John Francis Hughes
Willis Milnor Dixon
Warren Edward Rowley
William Henry Gaynor, *P. G. M.*
William Edward Chamberlain
Charles Sherman Anderson
Dana Reid Weller
Edward Byron Spencer

SELECT MASTERS.

Abbott, Adelbert Starr
Adams, Horace Bishop
Adams, Walter Franklin
Altland, Edwin Neiman
Alexander, Charles Ambrose
Amlin, John L.
Anderson, Charles J.
Anderson, John Francis
Armstrong, George
Arnold, William Ralph
Arnoldt, Herman
Ashley, William Buckley
Atkins, George Mall
Austin, Robert Harrison
Avery, Hilbert King
Aydelotte, George Howard
Bacon, George
Bagby, Edwin Hanson
Bagley, Charles Leland
Bailey, John T.
Bailey, Ralph Waldo
Baker, Fred
Balch, Allen Christopher
Baldwin, Cornelius Vanoy
Bardill, John Warner
Barnard, Albert William

Barrow, Thomas Martin
Barto, Fred Oliver
Bates, Harry W.
Baxter, Samuel Cashier
Beattie, Robert Fountain
Beckett, Wesley Wilbur
Beer, James Clark
Belcher, Harry Arthur
Bellringer, Edward Aubrey
Benbrook, Charles Mallard
Berg, Christian Gottleib
Berger, Andrew S.
Bernard, Gustav Adolph George
Berner, John Bismarck
Bicknell, John Dustin
Biescar, Henry
Bille, Marsello
Billington, Theophilus
Blackstone, Henry Winthrop
Blair, Francis Wayland
Bliesner, William John
Blood, Willis Norton
Bohrman, Henry William
Boothe, Stephen Sterling
Bosserman, David W.
Boswell, Frank Moore
Botsford, Frank Leroy
Bourne, John Franklin
Bowen, John Wesley
Bradbeer, James H.
Braden, Frederick Bassett
Bradish, Avery Jackson
Branch, John Franklin
Brauer, Adolph Carl
Braun, Henry
Bresee, Melvin Arthur
Bresee, Phineas Wright
Brill, William
Brink, John Edward
Brode, Alexander Charles
Brode, Walter Charles
Brookman, Arthur
Brooks, Frank Handy
Brown, Charles Milton
Brown, John Alexander
Brown, Walter Eldridge
Browning, Charles Clifton
Bryson, Frank
Bryson, George Washington
Buffum, Frank
Bulla, Robert Nelson
Burgwold, Hugo Mathias
Burke, Robert John
Burkhardt, Adolph
Burns, Orin L.
Burns, Robert Wallace
Burr, Charles Martin
Burr, John
Bynon, Frederick Silas
Cahill, James William
Campbell, Daniel
Campbell, John Mis
Campbell, Alfred Quincy
Cannon, John Stevens
Carlson, Carl Otto
Carr, Joseph Elmer
Carver, Clarence C.
Caswell, William Mitchell
Catey, Stacy Francis
Cave, Daniel
Chase, Lucius Kurtz
Chase, Ralph Arthur
Clark, Herbert Hamilton
Clarke, Frank Brainerd
Cline, William
Coate, Henry R.
Cobb, Edward Sigourney
Coe, Edmund Wallace
Cohn, Albert
Collins, Burton Vincent
Collins, Calvin Douglas
Colyear, Curtis Calhoun
Connett, Harry
Conradi, Simon
Cook, George Washington
Coombes, Willard E.
Coon, Willard Alden
Conrey, Nathaniel Parrish

Conway, John C.
Copp, James Andrew, Jr.
Cornes, Frank J.
Cowan, Richard Bates
Cox, Robert Lee
Crandall, John Abner
Crawford, James Seth
Cribb, John Caborn
Cunningham, John Calvin
Daniels, Albert Julius
Davis, Harvey
Davis, Webster
Dawson, John Bennett
Day, John Pinkney
De la Monte, Jacques Henry
De Monbrun, Edward Lee
Derby, George Morris
Dewey, James Henry
Dick, James William
Dillingham, Frank Stinson
Dolley, Rolland Everet
Donnell, John Alexander
Douglas, Frank M.
Doyle, John Hunt
Drew, Arthur Linford
Driscoll, Timothy
Drought, Robert
Duffie, John Jefferson
Duffill, Harry
Dunsmoor, Cylos Taylor
Dunsmoor, John Marcus
Dutcher, Claude Elmer
Eager, Charles Lucius
Eckstrom, Albert Axel
Ehlers, Peter William
Eichelberger, Harry Martin
Eldridge, Septimus Tustin
Elliott, Edwin Windsor
Elliott, Elmer Ellsworth
Ellis, Henry Bertrand
Ellis, Samuel Augusta
Ennis, Charles Wesley
Everhardy, Mathew William
Fairchild, John Anthony
Farley, Frank
Faust, Willis, Jr.
Ferbert, John C.
Ferguson, William
Ferris, Horace Bayles
Field, Benjamin Franklin
Fiscus, Joseph
Fish, Charles Winthrop
Fisher, Donnell George
Fitch, George Atkins
Flint, Frank Putnam
Flint, Motley Hewes
Folsom, Niles Rathbone
Fowler, Joseph
Fordham, Milton Cephas
Foshay, James A.
Fraisher, Robert Love
Francis, Ira Johnson
Fraser, Leonidas Polk
Frederick, John Donan
Gardner, Raymond Albion
Garn, Peter W.
Gehrkens, William Henry
Giambiastiani, Egisto
Gibbs, Charles Alfred
Gibson, Leo La Forest
Gill, William Henry
Gillis, Robert Cowan
Gilmer, John Parks
Glass, Clement Studebaker
Gockley, Charles Edmund
Goehring, John George
Gordon, Frank Henry
Granicher, Oswald
Gregg, William Seaton
Greppin, Ernest Henry
Griffith, Percival Howard
Grisinger, Joseph Henry
Grubb, Oscar Edwin
Guthrie, Finis William
Hale, Frank Seraph
Hamburger, Moses Asher
Hamilton, Harley Erastus
Hammond, Rollin C.

Hammond, William T. Sherman
Hanselman, John Wesley
Harper, Arthur Cyprian
Harris, Jonathan Bentley
Harris, Murray McCheyenne
Harrison, Lisle Ryerson
Harrison, William Henry
Hart, Alexander Hamilton
Hart, Dwight Howard
Hart, Frank John
Hart, George Alandson
Hauser, Edward Charles
Hauser, Lewis August
Haydock, Clarence
Heartt, Burton Elmer
Heffner, Robert Armstrong
Henderson, Andrew
Henderson, John Blanchard
Henderson, William Alexander
Henry, James Wheaton
Herr, George Frederick
Herron, Fred Irvine
Herron, Rufus Hill
Hervey, William Rhodes
Hiatt, William Macy
Hillyer, William Sherman
Hines, Fred Amos
Hoagland, Robert Stout
Holcomb, Arthur Lovell
Hollingsworth, William Irving
Hollis, George Henry
Homeyer, Albert Von
Houselibe, William John
Howard, Perry Alonzo
Hubbard, William Lewis
Hudson, Frank Dale
Humphreys, William Morgan
Hussey, William Clark
Hyde, John Church
Irvine, Robert John
Irving, Carl
Irving, James
Jackson, Charles Franklin
Jackson, James Henry
Jacobi, Lewis
Jarrett, Benjamin Samuel
Jay, Frank Augustus
Jeffries, John Henry
Jeffries, William Parish
Jenkins, John Joseph
Jensen, Henry Christian
Jepson, Jacob
Jones, Edward Douglas
Jones, John Taylor
Jones, Lester M.
Jones, Mark G.
Keith, George Frank
Keller, Will Edward
Kennedy, Lewis Henry
Kern, Joseph Edward
Kerr, Thomas William
Kingsbury, Homer Pinfield D.
Kingsbury, William Stephen
Kingsley, John Amos
Kinney, Arthur Wilson
Kirkland, Derwentwater
Kitchen, John Franklin
Knickerbocker, Niles
Koll, August Juergen
Koyer, Arthur Sheppard
Krempel, John Paul
Krohn, Henry George
Kyte, George Irvin
Lamb, Stacy Caldwell
La Niece, Edwin James
Lanterman, Frank Dexter
Lang, Fred Selwyn
Latsch, Theo Martin
Leiber, Louis Otto
Leix, Frederick
Letts, Arthur
Levy, Michael
Levy, Oscar
Lewis, Edward William
Lewis, James Clinton
Lewis, John Clements
Lewis, Joseph Albert

Lindsay, Joseph Brown
Lloyd, Charles
Logan, George Burkett
Long, James William
Louis, Emmanuel J.
Lovering, Walter A.
Lovett, William Watson
Lukenbach, John
Macfarlane, Walter
Mackey, George Grant
Magee, Robert
Maier, Simon
Malcolm, William
Marden, Leo Wallace
Mart, Charles
Martin, Julius Herbert
Martindale, Walter W.
Masters, John Henry
Masters, Robert Emmett
Matheson, John Luther
Mayo, Harmon Jeff
McAllister, Frank Allister
McAllister, James Pinkerton
McBride, Walter Ellsworth
McCarty, Walter George
McClurkin, William John
McConnell, Henry Elmer
McComas, Charles
McCray, Morris Lynn
McDivitt, Daniel
McGarvin, Donne Clio
McKeown, James Washington
Mead, Charles Abiel
Mead, Willis Howard
Mears, Charles Franklin
Medwina, John Blancarte
Melczer, Joseph
Mellus, Louis Randolph
Mercer, Preston Reese
Merrill, John Benjamin
Merrill, Joseph Lane
Merritt, Elmer Philip
Merwin, Andrew Homer
Meserve, Edwin Alvin
Meserve, Frank Pierce
Messacar, Frank William
Miller, Edmund Axel
Miller, Edward Hall
Miller, George
Miller, George William
Miller, Robert Warren
Miller, Thomas Sylvester
Miller, William John
Mitchell, Charles Edward
Monlux, John B.
Moore, Alton Howard
Moore, Elmer Ellsworth
Morgan, Oscar Crellin
Morgan, William Brazelton
Morrill, Mattson Annis
Morrison, Wm. Edward Domville
Morton, John Jay
Mott, Albert Clark
Moyse, George Ulysses
Mueller, Earl Walter
Mueller, Oscar Charles
Murphy, Claire Warren
Murphy, Dennis J.
Murphey, Joseph Lannes
Murray, Alexander Wilson
Murray, John Emmett
Mussey, Nathaniel Dickson
Myrick, Nathaniel Willis
Nagel, George Edward
Nance, Benjamin Franklin
Nance, Frederick Washington
Neuhart, Daniel
Nevins, Leon Wesley
Nightingale, John Henry
Noble, Wm. Clarence Hayes
Obee, Henry
Odenthal, Hubert
Off, John William Arnold
Ogden, Byron Augustus
O'Reilly, Thomas William
Owen, Frank Dale
Owens, Madison Townsend
Parker Francis Marion

Parr, William Albert
Patterson, Charles Edgar
Patillo, James Nelson
Paul, John Rink
Pease, Edward William
Pease, Niles
Pease, Sherman
Peck, Daniel Gauger
Peipers, Paul Clarence
Peloubet, William Spalding
Pendell, Charles Elisha
Percy, Harry Lord
Perry, John Sargent
Pettebone, Henry Wells
Pfaffinger, Frank Xavier
Pierce, Clarence Warner
Pierce, Darwin Wilson
Pierce, Fred Eugene
Pillsbury, George Eber
Plath, Emil Ludwig
Polasky, Abraham
Post, John Camel
Poundstone, Jacob
Preston, Jasper Newton
Pridham, Richard Woodworth
Pullman, Carl
Rankin, William John
Raze, Arthur Eldredge
Rebman, John
Redmond, Clement James
Reed, Charles Joseph
Rees, Bert
Reid, James Arthur
Renaker, Charles Taylor
Renfro, Alva D.
Rhodes, Allin Lee
Rice, Robert Lincoln
Riggle, Elmer Willis
Rising, Franklin Edward
Roberts, Richard Goronevy
Robertson, Andrew
Rockwell, Lorenzo Anson
Rodenhouse, Harry Edward
Rodgers, James Frederick
Roeder, Henry
Rogers, Albert Clark
Rogers, Read Wyman
Rouscup, Henry Wilson
Roseberg, Samuel Robert
Ross, Frederick William
Roy, Neil
Ruess, William Rudolph
Ruskamp, Charles D.
Salisbury, Samuel Scott
Scarborough, James Gustave
Scheerer, Conrad
Schmidt, Fredk. Wilhelm Theo.
Schneider, George Henry
Schoder, Henry Joseph
Schreiber, William George
Schwaebe, Lewis Henry
Schwartz, Henry Butler
Sebastian, Charles Edward
Sexton, Charles Wesley
Shannon, William Alexander
Sharpe, Frederick H.
Shelton, Harry Ashton
Sherer, Robert
Sherman, Moses Hazeltine
Sherrard, Edward Everett
Shettler, Leon Thorpe
Shoemaker, Fred Wilcox
Shrader, William Wallace, Jr.
Simms, John H.
Simms, Vinton Delos
Sinsabaugh, Simpson McCullough
Skinner, Alden Webster
Skinner, Eckert
Slater, Joseph Karl
Slotterbeck, Harry Walter
Small, Richard Ellsworth
Smart, George Joseph
Smith, Benjamin Nathaniel
Smith, Everett Russell
Smith, Horace Osbun
Smith, John Charles
Smith, Joseph Augustus
Smith, Melvin David

Smith, William Albert
Smith, William Ferdinand
Snow, Harry L.
Snowden, Joshua Hazelrigg
Snyder, Meredith Pinxton
Spaulding, Frank Leverett
Specht, Joseph Christian
Spence, Edward Follis
Spence, William Glenn
Spencer, Isom Lindsay
Spinks, Wallace Humphrey
Stagg, Edward Houts
Stansbury, Charles
Starr, Joseph Lee
Stein, Sam
Stephens, William Dennison
Stevens, John Benjamin
Stewart, George Hadley
St. John, Philip Brisack
Stoll, George Henry
Storrow, Samuel
Strassburg, Edward
Streicher, Michael
Sumption, Frederick Albert
Sweet, Otto
Tanner, Wilson Gustin
Taylor, John Hartley
Taylor, Ora
Teagle, Leander Allen
Tenbrook, George Henry
Thayer, Joseph Harriot
Thompson, Charles Wesley, Jr.
Thompson, Chester Weaver
Thomson, John S. Vance De C.
Thomson, Robert Mossman
Thurman, Joseph Coy
Tichenor, George Nultman
Thorpe, Joseph Raymond
Tower, Harry Dooley
Train, Robert Farquhar
Tritt, William Winters
Trobec, John August
Turner, Charles Flavel
Turner, Robert Morton
Tuttle, Victor Hugo
Urmston, John Kreck
Valiant, George Francis
Valentine, Edward Sharpe
Valentine, William Lucas
Van Doren, John Suydam
Van Nuys, Isaac Newton
Vawter, Edwin James
Vetter, Louis Fisher
Vogel, Herman Oscar
Volbrecht, William Julius
Volkman, Martin Frederick
Wade, Robert David
Walker, Samuel Millard
Walton, Charles Strong
Wankowski, Robert
Ward, Perl Adelbert
Ward, William Henry
Wardell, Ralph Hewitt
Watson, Ralph Matt
Weber, John
Webster, James William
Weichman, Henry Philip
Weidner, Peter
Weinberger, Isidor
Welch, William Ormond
Werdin, Ernest Rudolph
West, George Miller
West, Henry Hebard
Westbrook, Richard
Wetterauer, Andrew Peter
Wheeler, Emanuel Randolph
Wheeler, Horace Marcellus
White, William
White, William Addison
Whiting, Perry
Whitney, Grant Ulysses
Willcox, John Walter
Williams, Herbert George
Williams, William Henry
Williamson, Frederick
Willis, Frank Rominar
Wohlfarth, August
Wood, Charles Modini

Wood, George Herbert
Woodbury, Edward
Woodis, Warren Albert
Wreden, Carl Von
Wright, Arthur
Yarrow, George Walter
Yost, Charles
Young, John William
Youngworth, Leo Valtus
Zaiser, Louis G.—584.

WITHDRAWN.

Samuel J. Easley—1

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Charles Raymond Bradford
Eleas Cohn
Job Emit Cooksey
James Elias Dunham
Benjamin Botsford Henshey
Hugo Julius Iftiger
Edward M. Pallette
Theodore Leo Peel
Albert Iulus Stewart
Thomas Strohm—10

EXCLUDED.

Robert James Adcock
George Webb Aylsworth
Charles Edwin Baker
Edward Everett Powers—4

DIED.

Calvin Case Bowen
Frederick J. Harrington
John Condit Haskell
Charles Lawrence Heartt
William M. Johnson
Fred Leonard Lee
Alex. Millard Filmore McCullough
John A. McLeod
Willis Harsay Routzahn
Edgar Eugene Selph
Henry Holland Taylor
Daniel Henry Walker—12

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
		Suspended N. P. D.	10
On roll per last report	579	Excluded	4
Greeted	27	Died	12
Affiliated	5—611	Now borne upon the roll	584—611

OAKLAND COUNCIL, NO. 12.

OAKLAND, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, fifth Thursday of months having five Thursdays.

OFFICERS.

Barzillai P. Bull, *T. I. M.*
John Charles Foster, *D. I. M.*
Edward Harrison Morgan, *P. C. W.*
James Bestor Merritt, *Treasurer.*
George Henry Smith, *Recorder.*
Edward Alexander Stevenson, *C. of Guard.*

Charles Herbert Cowell, *Conductor.*
Albrekt Lauritz Hansen, *Steward.*
John William Gwilt, *Organist.*
Robert Griffith Evans, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James Bestor Merritt, *P. G. M.*
W. Frank Pierce, *P. G. M.*
Edward Harrison Morgan
Webb Nicholson Pearce
Edwin Allen Sherman
Eugene Carmeny
Edward Constant Robinson
Robert Edgar
Amasa Wright Bishop
Augustus Lewis Ott
Damien Edmont Fortin
Albert Humphrey Merritt, *P. G. M.*
John Alexander Britton
George Henry Smith
Charles Herbert Wever
William James Chesney
Frank Reeve Woolsey
Fred Duane Voorhees
Charles Frank Thomas
John Andrew Sansom

SELECT MASTERS.

Abbott, Clark Lorenzo
Allen, Charles Hamilton
Allyn, George Spencer
Anderson, Frank Wm.
Anguin, William Stanley
Austin, George William
Austin, Harry
Avery, Mark Herbert
Bacon, Gilman William
Badger, Thomas Norman
Baker, Alvin W.
Barry, William
Barton, Charles Thomas
Basford, Raphael Xavier
Beckwith, John A.
Bell, Harmon
Benton, Julian Juriah
Beretta, Italo A.
Bergsten, Oscar Paulus
Bice, John
Bilger, Frank William
Bird, Charles Gladstone
Blake, Charles Robert
Blohm, Charles Henry
Borton, Chester Cooper
Breed, Arthur Hastings
Breed, Herbert Lincoln
Bretherton, Sydney Elliott
Brown, Lewis Henry
Browne, Henry Rosekrans
Bullock, Richard Steele
Burleigh, Elmer Seaver
Burt, Frederic Leslie
Buteau, Samuel Hall
Button, Fred Lawrence
Cahill, Patrick
Carman, Frank Vanoy
Cary, Albert B.
Christiansen, Jens Lauritsen
Chubb, Charles
Clark, William Amir
Clawiter, Edward Henry
Cohen, Abraham S.
Cole, James Cairns
Cook, Frank Biglow
Cope, Harry Besby
Corder, Arthur Elmer
Corwin, Lewis Thornton
Cozzens, Arthur Eugene
Crandley, William John
Crelin, Thomas Arthur
Crooks, John Chisholm
Crossman, William Thomas
Cushing, Frank Worthy

Dailey, William Curtis
Dakin, Frederick Holroyd
Dallam, Fred Boothby
Dallerup, John
Dalton, Henry Phillip
Danuser, Peter
Davis, Judson Milton
Davis, Lucian Dwight
Degen, Ludolph Philip
DeGolia, George Ellis
De La Montanya, Harry Orton
Dibble, Robert Mitchell
Dibert, Wayne Clay
Doane, Raymond Orrin
Dodsworth, Robert Metcalf
Dondero, Aurelio George
Douglas, Charles Henry
Dubbs, Willis Snowden
Earl, Guy Chaffe
Edward, Ambrose Frederick
Emerson, Harry Wylie
Etzel, Louis William
Evans, Charles
Fenton, William Howard
Ferrier, Francis
Finley, Dozier
Fisher, George Cresse
Flood, Alfred James
Foster, Newell Kelley
Francis, William Clair
Franke, Rudolph Chas.
French, Robert Ellsworth
Fulton, William
Gault, Albert Morton
Geirrine, Charles Augustus
Gibson, Charles Luke
Gilbert, Ethan Allen
Glines, Herbert Atherton
Godbold, John Henry
Gompertz, Walter Alexander
Gotthelf, Aaron Solomon
Goodwin, George H.
Graham, Robert Grant
Granger, Farley Benjamin
Grau, Edward Arnold
Gray, George
Gray, George Adam
Gray, Roscoe Spaulding
Gregory, Calvin Levy
Hahn, Henry Casper
Hansen, Hans Peter
Hansen, Peter Christian
Harrigan, John William
Harper, Fred Fogg Gale
Harvard, Richard Daniel
Heath, George Ralph
Heeseman, Charles John
Hellwig, George Peter
Hewes, Charles Leslie
Hewitt, Loren Gifford
Hill, Magnus Peter
Hill, Otis
Holmgren, John Alexander
Hopper, John Frederick
Horner, Charles F.
Howland, Eli
Hughes, Edward Floyd
Hume, William Robert
Hunt, Charles Melville
Jackson, Alton Cass
Jackson, Arthur Vincent
Jaggard, Belmont Perry
James, Edward Harrison
Jarvis, Charles Fitz Howard
Jenkins, William Norman
Johnson, Christian Ole
Jonas, Abraham
Jones, Algernon Sydney
Kales, Martin William
Kelley, Alexander S.
Kelsey, John Edson
Kempkey, Augustus F. K.
Kendall, Alpheus
Knowland, Joseph
Knowland, Joseph Alexander
Kolze, Robert A. F.
Largersen, Walter H.
Laufer, Frederick William

Lockett, Albert
Long, Charles Stuart
Longnecker, Harry Ellsworth
Logan, Walter Edward
Lord, Carlos Reuben
Loring, Ernest Linwood
Love, Thomas
Love, Charles Allen
Lutgen, George Vest
MacGregor, Charles M.
MacIntosh, James Thomas
MacLafferty, Charles P.
MacLeman, Malcolm Campbell
MacMurtry, William Samuel
Magill, Arthur Edward
Makins, Joseph Henry
Manuel, Walter Griswold
Mariotte, Paul Alonzo
Marlin, Henry B.
Martin, Daniel Wilkins
Martin, John
Mathiesen, Hans
Manzy, Byron
May, Henry
McClymonds, John William
McGrew, Gifford Horace G.
McLaughlin, Charles Weldy
McNulty, Harry James
Merrill, Charles Sydney
Meek, Rodolph Wallace
Meek, William Ellsworth
Meese, Constant
Meredith, James Washington
Mesick, Wm. Rundle
Metcalf, George Dickson
Metcalf, Solon Theres
Michaels, Henry
Mitchell, Claud Hamilton
Miller, Charles Howard
Miller, Thomas Irving
Minor, Robert
Mohr, George Lewis
Morris, Moses
Mosher, John William
Moseley, John Edward
Mott, Frank Kanning
Moulthrop, Carlton Francis
Moulthrop, Wiley Howard
Murphy, James Joseph
Nash, Chester Bell
Nelson, Frederick Earl
Niehaus, Edward Ernest
Nordman, Artilus Fordnand
Nordman, Peter
Nutting, Charles Wilber
Nystrom, John Richard
O'Donnell, Francis Henry E.
Ohea, George Harvey
Oliver, Henry Andrew
O'Neill, Peter J.
Ott, Charles Frederick
Owen, William Henry Searls
Parsons, Albert S.
Patterson, Albert Louis C.
Perkins, George Edward
Perry, Andrew John
Phillips, John Waterman
Phillips, Henry Byron
Piercy, Arthur Thomas
Platt, Samuel J.
Plumb, Mat Alaric
Price, Wallace Covert
Prindle, Edward C.
Prowse, Charles
Ragland, William Beverly
Ramage, Andrew
Randall, Charles Wells
Redington, Charles Henry
Reist, Jay Harvey
Revalk, Richard Emil
Richardson, Friend William
Robins, John Harvey
Robinson, James Leman
Robertson, Daniel
Rodolph, Frank Bequette
Roeth, George
Rowles, William John
Russell, Thomas Bartlett

Rose, Burton James
Sandelin, Charles Frederick
Sargeant, Edward Lyman
Saunders, Nelson
Sellar, John
Schleuter, Otis William
Schleuter, Herman F.
Schrock, William H.
Schwarz, Henry
Scotchler, Joseph Lincoln
Scott, George Amos
Scott, John Walker
Servis, William Ratcliff
Sherwin, Mark
Slater, Urotes Major
Smith, Kirby Bounty
Spreckles, Richard
Staats, Remond Cyril
Standeford, William Burt
Starbuck, Henry Fletcher
Stephenson, William Albert
Stone, Louis Stanwood
Stromgren, Gustave Adolph
Strong, Milton Grosvenor
Tayler, James Howard
Taylor, Guy
Thomas, George Henry
Thomas, Charles Goodwin
Thomas, Charles Edward
Thompson, Robert Crawford
Threlkeld, Melville Calvert
Treadwell, James Tufts
Tofflemier, Douglas Ulysses
Turner, Edward Quale
Vane, James Playford
Walker, Percy John
Walker, Albert Jay
Walsh, Edward Marion
Wanger, Gustave Adolph
Waste, William Harrison
Weber, Adolph Hans
Webster, Leander Rankin
Webster, Thomas Eugene
Weigt, William Albert
Weilbye, Julius Lars
Weilbye, William Hansen
Wenham, Harry Granville
Werner, Edward Peter
Westlake, Leonard John
Weston, William Pomroy
Wharff, William Hatch
Wilder, James Chase
Wilkes, Farrington
Wilkes, William E.
Williams, John
Winchell, Colvin S.
Wood, Herbert Anthony
Woodin, Eugene
Woolsey, Philip Sheridan
Wright, Cyrus Smith
Wyllie, Robert Peden
Yablonsky, John
Young, Roy Jackson—320

DIED.

Alfred William Burrell
Thomas Powell Emigh
Daniel Edward Hayes
Chris Keiser
Horry Wert Meek
Charles Dexter Pierce
Peter Nicholas Kuss—7

Greeted April 29, 1909.

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..307
Greeted 19
Affiliated ..... 1—327
Died 7
Now borne upon the roll.320—327

GATEWAY COUNCIL, NO. 13.

AUBURN, PLACER COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Jonathan Fulton, *T. I. M.*
William James Prewett, *D. I. M.*
Michael David Lininger, *P. C. W.*
Joseph Marie Francis, *Treasurer.*
John Gould Bisbee, *Recorder.*
Chas. Oscar Hamilton, *C. of Guard.*
Louis Frederick Klumpp, *Conductor.*
Arthur Spencer Fleming, *Steward*
Christian Frederick Richter, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

John Gould Bisbee, *P. G. M.*
John Mathias Fulweiler
Preston Washington Smith
Chas. Oscar Hamilton

SELECT MASTERS.

Akers, Charles Duval
Allen, George Eugene
Anderson, Albert Wallace
Anderson, William Craig
Bell, Joseph Vincent
Birdsall, Ernest Stratton
Boller, George Carl
Bower, Harry Julius
Brown, Edward Doyle
Buchanan, Francis Jacques
Carlson, Charles
Chamberlain, Newell Day
Chappellet, Felix
Clement, Styles Kennedy
Coombs, William
Cowan, Gordon Robinson
Crafts, Forest Bowers
Cupples, Samuel Richmond
Curtis, Henry Crittenden
Davis, Frederick Calvin
Delano, Ira Lemuel
Disque, Henry
Duggan, Charles Martin
Falconer, Duncan
Gladding, Albert James
Green, Arthur Reginald
Haenny, John
Hohfeld, Edward
Jansen, Hans Paulsen
Jansen, Walter
Johnson, Joseph
Kendall, Edward John
Kilborn, Harry Alden
La Kamp, John Henry
Lardner, William Bransen
Lee, William Grant
Lubeck, David Wlademer
Mardis, Benjamin Allen
Martin, Charles
Mathers, Joseph
May, William Isaac
McAninch, John
McAuley, George
McCracken, William James
Michael, Martin
Millard, George Ellis
Missner, Frank
Nicholls, William, Jr.
Pemberton, George Francis
Power, Harold Thomas
Robinson, Alexander Kelley
Rooney, Robert Fleming

Russell, Daniel A.
Safford, John Coleman
Salzman, George Ernest
Schnabel, Carl Kenneth
Shane, Charles Nelson
Sparks, Earl Leland
Sparks, William Martin
Stevens, Amos
Stevens, Frederick Solon
Stevenson, Thomas
Treadwell, James Buchanan
Wallace, John
Woodard, John Carlton—76

WITHDRAWN.

George J. Harris
John Thomas Moore
Hugh James Owen—3

DIED.

Jacob Hart Neff—1

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	3
On roll per last report	79	Died	1
Greeted	1— 80	Now borne upon the roll	76— 80

SANTA ANA COUNCIL, NO. 14.

SANTA ANA, ORANGE COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, third Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Leonard Frank Harvey, *T. I. M.*
Emanuel Henry Luxton, *D. I. M.*
Fred W. Winslow, *P. C. W.*
Ezekiel Bernard Smith, *Treasurer.*
George Akerman Whidden, *Recorder.*
Max Reinhaus, *C. of Guard.*
Julius Reinhaus, *Conductor.*
Eli Brook Trago, *Steward.*
George Eddie Robinson, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

James William Towner
Edwin Dumont Buss
Addison Crockett Bowers
Leonard Frank Harvey
George Pliney Hill

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, John Nelson
Andre, H. Roy
Balcom, Bayles Greenwood
Ball, Charles Dexter
Berkenstock, William
Bradford, Charles Sumner
Braley, John Claude
Bruner, Francis Marion
Bundy, Milton John
Carr, John Lewis
Chilton, Jesse
Clark, George Crook
Clevenger, William Warren
Craig, Guy

Decker, Willet S.
Deyoe, Franklin Theodore
Diers, Henry
Donovan, Napoleon
Dryer, John Lewis
Faust, George Andrew Willis
Frampton, George Reed
Ferguson, Joseph
Gamble, Austin Abram
Gilmaker, Joseph
Greeley, John Philip
Gregg, Walter Scott
Griffiths, George Whitfield
Harding, Foster William
Hately, William
Haywood, John Saxton
Hill, Louis Hamilton
Hill, Samuel
Hilton, Everett
Holt, John
Huffman, Robert Lincoln
Kellogg, Hiram Clay
Kesemann, William
Krick, Philip Herman
Laird, William Franklin
Lane, Martin Luther
Lee, Eugene Tewksbury
Lipking, Frederick William
Lovett, Charles Edward
Lutz, William Frederick
Marshall, John L.
Mason, William Bertle
McBride, Francis
McCarrie, Franklin
McDonald, John Colvin
McFadden, Clarence Earl
McNeill, Christopher
McTaggart, Neil Godfrey
Medlock, James Randolph
Miles, George Francis
Mills, Ira D.
Monaghan, Francis
Morse, Charles Horace
Morse, Nathan Frank
Nichols, John Brown
Paine, James Robert
Parker, Charles Edward
Peters, George Edwin
Potter, William Gibbons
Preble, George Edward
Putnam, John Day
Richardson, Erwin Ellsworth
Royer, Daniel Franklin
Ruddock, Charles Edward
Saine, David Thomas
Scott, Walter Maxwell
Shaw, Linn Lee
Sinclair, William
Smith, Alan Fowler
Staley, Arthur
Sheats, Clarence Warren
Toothaker, George Dexter
Trudo, Edward
Tyerman, Thomas Benton
Upham, Harry George
Visel, Augustus Jacob
Waffle, Edson Dwight
Wallace, Elmer S.
Wasser, Joseph Sylvester
Wasser, Wilbur Wellington
Wassum, Howard Allen
Watson, Kellar Ebenezer
Whitney, Mervin Newton
Whitson, Walter Verne
Wilkinson, Lawrence Smith
Woodford, Charles J.—103

WITHDRAWN.

Albert Beals
Ruggles Allerton Cushman
James Hedges Hall

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..	103	Withdrawn	3
Greeted	3—106	Now borne upon the roll.	103—106

VENTURA COUNCIL, NO. 15.

VENTURA, VENTURA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Tuesday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

William Edward Ready, *T. I. M.*
Christopher Wren Cannon, *D. I. M.*
Allan Polic Fraser, *P. C. W.*
George Cook, *Treasurer.*
Jacob Lewis Argabrite, *Recorder.*
James Russell Walker, *C. of G.*
David John Reese, *Conductor.*
Herbert Alvaro Giddings, *Steward.*
Truman Barrick Gosnell, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Frederick William Baker
Willis Phillip Lincoln
Richard Owen Robinson
David Rhodes Denison
David John Reese

SELECT MASTERS.

Alves, John
Barnes, Louis Lee
Blackstock Nehemiah
Burson, Edward Wright
Burson, George Washington
Burson, Willis
Carr, Earl
Carr, Philetus Sprague
Day, James Allan
Dunning, Edward Elliott
Ely, Martin Juda
Engstrom, Franz Otto
Goodyear, William Ernest
Kilson, George Elmer
McGuire, William
Neel, Henry Harrison
Ogg, Thomas Daniels
Power, George Coffin
Rice, Thomas Alexander
Rowley, Charles Harvey
Starkweather, George Albert
Studley, Fred Danforth
Sudden, Robert Cowperwait
Taggart, James William
Taylor, Arthur Wilson
Thompson, Mark
Turner, William Henry
Wittenmyer, John Lewis—41

WITHDRAWN.

John Stevenson Collins—1

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
On roll per last report..	42	Now borne upon the roll.	41— 42

PASADENA COUNCIL, NO. 16.

PASADENA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Water Richard Gibbings, *T. I. M.*
Charles Newton Stanley, *D. I. M.*
Earl Warren Nay, *P. C. W.*
William Henry Vedder, *Treasurer.*
Louis Azel Bartlett, *Recorder.*
Orvin Henry Hayes, *C. of G.*
James Barr Hughes, *Conductor.*
Wm. Henry Snudden, *Steward.*
George Rasmus Weaver, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles Joseph Willett, *P. G. M.*
George Washington Skyrme
Oscar Otto Freeman
Benjamin Brooks Cartwright
Jefferson Carvosa Fraser
Albert Mercer

SELECT MASTERS.

Allen, Charles Emery
Allin, Thomas David
Ball, Benjamin Franklin
Beach, Fitz E.
Behlow, Irwin W. M.
Behlow, Robert Roscoe
Bonner, Lewis Henry
Buchanan, Charles Wesley
Campbell, James Hanford
Clarke, James
Coulston, John B.
Crump, Edward Sisson
Dawson, James Porter
Edwards, Albert Ernest
Edwards, Simon Josiah
Edwards, William Bryant
Eisenauer, Michael
Ernsberger, Frank Armstrong
Frary, Leander Warren
Geohegan, Harry
Grimes, Charles
Hall, Peter
Hansen, Nels Peter
Knight, William Franklin
May, Ernest Heath
Menning, Charles Edward
Meyer, Henry William
McDowell, Robert Snyder
McGregory, William Whitney
Nay, Edward Oscar
Packard, Elmer Charles
Priaulx, Percival J.
Richardson, Warren Josiah
Royce, Edward Henry
Sherry, Henry
Skillen, Charles Moses
Slavin, Matthew
Smiley, Sumner Francis
Thomson, Henry Martin
Williams, Robert Adrian—55

WITHDRAWN.

LaFayette Seward Porter—1

DIED.

Charles Hilliard Rhodes
William Shibley
Romayne Williams—3

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
		Died	3
On roll per last report.....	59	Now borne upon the roll.	55— 59

SANTA CRUZ COUNCIL, NO. 17.

SANTA CRUZ, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Edward J. Harran, *T. I. M.*
Edgar Miles Wilson, *D. I. M.*
Walter Lloyd Johnson, *P. C. W.*
John Parker Twist, *Treasurer.*
Edward Swift West, *Recorder.*
George Alfred Montell, *C. of G.*
Harry Clay Cooper, *Conductor.*
Henry Drescher Hall, *Steward.*
Perry Clark Tucker, *Chaplain.*
George Lee FitzGerald, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Thompson Wilson Drullard
Silas Foulk Hoopes
William Hugus Keck

SELECT MASTERS.

Aydelotte, Charles Leon
Aydelotte, William Mack
Bias, William Henry
Clements Rob Richardson
Congdon, Willis Rollin
Drennan, Ryland
Fifield, Daniel Black
Fitzpatrick, Frank Emmett
Folsom, Cathers Drummond
Gebhart, Charles Albert
Grover, Myron Hubert
Harrington, George Henry
Hinkle, Charles Devault
Jolliffe, Worth Worthington
Kroeger, Charles Herman
Lorenzen, Lawrence
Mackinnon, James Bowie
Mattison, Frank
McCreary, Thomas Guy
Pease, Fred Washburn
Perry, Peter Pierce
Plant, Benjamin Anthony
Read, William Miles
Robinson, Horace Randall
Rostron, George Henry
Severio, John
Staubes, Charles
Stearns, Frank Wilcox
Taylor, John Alexander
Trafton, Howard Valentine
Tooze, William Clarence
Warren, John Chester
Wilder, Melvin Dwight
Webster, Mark
Wells, George Washington—48

WITHDRAWN.

Alfred Adams Hapgood—1

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Henry Willey—1

EXCLUDED.

Don Anderson Louks—1

RECAPITULATION.

		Withdrawn	1
On roll per last report	41	Suspended, N. P. D.	1
Greeted	9	Excluded	1
Affiliated	1— 51	Now borne upon the roll	48— 51

FRESNO COUNCIL, NO. 18.

FRESNO, FRESNO COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Wiley James Tinnin, *T. I. M.*
Berry Madison Hague, Jr., *D. I. M.*
Joseph George Martin, *P. C. W.*
Brenton Jarvis Metzler, *Treasurer.*
Ardie Lee Smith, *Recorder.*
George Washington Smith, *C. of Guard.*
Emil Frederick Bernhard, *Conductor.*
William Henry Puleston, *Steward.*
Mills Ely, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Wiley James Tinnin

SELECT MASTERS.

Anderson, Gus Walter
Anderson, John Quincy
Barrett, Charles William
Burks, William Tillman
Burnham, Floyd Stephen Kenny
Cearley, Charles Talant
Cosgrave, George
Clark, Albert Bazzle
Chaddock, Emory Gilbert
Everts, Olen Lee
Gray, William Alonzo
Homan, Frank Andrew
Hersey, Augustus Melville
Hendrix, Jay Ward
Hawkins, Henry Edwin
Hoffman, John L.
Hogg, Victor Forest
Kittrell, William Joseph
Lisenby, Augustus Vespasian
Ludvigsen, Peter Erich
Miles, William Oscar
Munger Albert Luke
Monroe, George Hays
Munn, Charles Anderson
Mootz, Herman Edwin
McClurg, James Allen, Sr.
Noble, Jay Preston
Pierce, Charles Sheldon
Pedreira, Antonio Freitas
Riege, Charles Henry

Ralston, Elza Clark
Rudy, Henry Vernon
Shoemaker, Walter
Swift, Harvey Whalen
Smith, Anson Burlingame
Shepherd, Benjamin Franklin
Sherman, Walter Nathan
Thomas, Montgomery
Wahlberg, Arthur Gustave
Wishon, Albert Graves
Walter, Charles Lewis—50

EXCLUDED.

Herman Henry Borchers—1

RECAPITULATION.

		Excluded	1
On roll per last report.....	51	Now borne upon the roll.	50— 51

SANTA BARBARA COUNCIL, NO. 19.

SANTA BARBARA, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Albert Perham Hardy, *T. I. M.*
William Preston Butcher, *D. I. M.*
Edward Gardner Dodge, *P. C. W.*
Winfield Bradbury Metcalf, *Treasurer.*
Charles Oscar Garretson, *Recorder.*
Charles Philip Reynolds, *C. of G.*
Charles Ellsworth Kenyon, *Conductor.*
Frank Adelbert Conant, *Steward.*
Samuel Manchester, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles Devin Fairbanks
Albert Perham Hardy

SELECT MASTERS.

Abels, Henry John
Baylies, Frederick Henry
Beatty, Harry Wilson
Cornwall, James Tod
Eaves, Albert Thomas
Edmondson, Alfred Robert
Fairbanks, Harlan
Farnum, Eugene Oscar
Faulding, Mervin Coulter
Frost, Samuel
Gibbs, Albert Wyman
Grant, William Richard
Grant, Alexander Charles
Grenzin, John Andrew
Hardenbrook, Charles Kelley
Hayward, William Richard
Johnston, John Thompson
Kahles, Frank
Knight, Clarence Crosby
Menthei, Gustav Frank
Misa, Charles Henry
Moore, Ellis Passmore
Morse, William Henry
Phoenix, Charles Elwood
Pyster, John Neal
Ricketts, Summerfield Tippett

Slosson, Willis Martin
Smith, Frederick John
Squier, Eugene Wesley
Thomas, Benjamin Franklin
Wilson, Jerome Calvin—41

DIED.

Jabez Tunis Crane.
Charles Edward Todd—2

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..	38	Died	2
Greeted	5— 43	Now borne upon the roll.	41— 43

SAN JOSE COUNCIL, NO. 20.

SAN JOSE, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, third Friday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Zibeon Orison Field, *T. I. M.*
Sanford Lord Bacon, *D. I. M.*
Paul Sibley Williams, *P. C. W.*
Irving Lamphry Ryder, *Treasurer.*
Frank Giorza King, *Recorder.*
Claude Onby Winans, *C. of G.*
H. Ray Fry, *Conductor.*
Franklin Henry Roberts, *Steward.*
Alfred Adams Hapgood.
William Henry Lamrock, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS.

Charles Bertie Gleason
William Alexander January

SELECT MASTERS.

Alexander, Howard Augustus
Alexander, William Gay
Anticevich, Anton G.
Barber, Lawrence Evans
Boomer, Preston Hamilton
Boulware, Milton Amos
Chickovich, John George
Clegg, Milton Manford
Codman, Wm. G.
Cox, Jacob Milon
Crabb, Allie Louis
Danforth, Edward Carmi
Davy, John William
Devine, Everett Bee
Doerr, Frederick
Erbentraut, Irwin Stephen
Hamilton, Edward George
Harlan, Orrin Arthur
Heple, Theodore F.
Hill, Henrie Granville
Hunter, Chas. Mandeville
Ickes, Daniel W.
Jackson, Lewis
Knight, Isaac Allinson
Krause, William Henry
Lean, Wm. Carvossa
Ledyard, Henry Horatio
Lee, Robert Alexander
Lingscheid, Robert F.
Lint, Peter Franklin
McCoy, Luther Addison
McKenzie, George Wilson

Montgomery, Seymour Thomas
Morling, Octavius Josiah
Regnart, Percy Stewart
Rhodes, Jay Cloyd Barris
Richmond, George Andrew
Robertson, Richard Felix
Russell, Hamilton Mac Vicer
Russell, William
Schemmel, Frank Phiester
Schofield, John Preston
Smith, Harrison Prior
Smith, Peter Baer
Smith, Walter Matthew
Trogden, Wiley Hudelston
Tuthill, Joseph Brown Thomas
Wagener, Samuel Hopkins
Willi, John Daniel
Woodrow, William Lorkin—62

DIED.

Jefferson Collins—1

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..	49		
Greeted	13	Died	1
Affiliated	1— 63	Now borne upon the roll.	62— 63

POMONA COUNCIL, NO. 21.

POMONA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Joseph Relton Garthside, *T. I. M.*
Sherman Leroy Strock, *D. I. M.*
James Albert Dole, *P. C. W.*
William Arthur McCormack, *Treasurer.*
Henry Lee Sheets, *Recorder.*
William Roland Hudson, *C. of Guard.*
Fred Carl Walther, *Conductor.*
Thos. Benton Fredendall, *Steward.*
Edward Arminius Hotchkiss, *Chaplain.*
Walton Atwood Lewis, *Organist.*
Orion Austin Warner, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTER.

Joseph Relton Garthside

SELECT MASTERS.

Avis, Americus Benezetta
Browne, Fred Alfred
Clark, Charles
Cox, Joseph Harris
Dailey, Merritt Henry
Dole, Arthur Macdonald
Freemire, Wellington Arthur
Fitch, Joseph Ahira
Ford, Charles Benjamin
Ford, William Mitchel
Geer, Francis Herman
Graham, Fred Eugene

Hansler, Frank Ernest
Houston, John
Huff, Charles Clark
Hyatt, Frank Henry
Jasson, Jacob
Kauffman, Park Wilford
Kennedy, Henry Clayton
Kitchen, Edwin Bruce
Lewis, Fred Rice
Ludden, Jerome Adelbert
Matthews, Lee Rex
Metz, Mitchell Kerr
Moore, Albert Dean
Nichols, Allen Penfield
Nichols, Hervey James
Phelps, Charles Austin
Rarick, John
Stanton, John Edward
Stone, Charles Micah
Teague, David Clinton
Thomas, Frank Webster
Todd, William Brewster
Weigle, Charles Fred
Welch, Everett Haskell
Wilkinson, Henry Watterson
Witman, Alexander Hamilton
Wyman, Francis George—50

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report..	42	
Greeted	6	
Affiliated	2— 50	Now borne upon the roll. 50

OROVILLE COUNCIL, NO. 22.

OROVILLE, BUTTE COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Harry Jacoby, *T. I. M.*
Elwood Mansfield McKusick, *D. I. M.*
James Milne Park, *P. C. W.*
Roger Sylvester Kitrick, *Treasurer.*
Samuel Samuel Simon, *Recorder.*
Edward Wakeham, *C. of Guard.*
Francis Marion Steadman, *Conductor.*
Charles Henry Johnson, *Steward.*
Willis Howard Patterson, *Sentinel.*

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTER.

Harry Jacoby

SELECT MASTERS.

Aaronson, George Dexter
Aaronson, George Cahoon
Arnold, Theodore Henry
Bechtel, Warren A.
Blood, Richard Pearson
Boalt, Eben
Boynton, Albert Eugene
Chatfield, Charles Edwin
Cornell, Lloyd Power
Ellis, Clarence Eugene
Fagan, James Porter
Gingles, William Wilson
Gray, Carleton
Green, Lewis Lincoln

Hall, William Sweetser
Hamlyn, John Joseph
Haselbusch, Henry William
Henn, William Theophilus
Hoffart, Charles Andrew
Hogan, John Harvey
Johnson, August
Lausen, Henry Datliff
McGill, James Helm
Miles, John Henry
Morse, George Payson
Powers, Robert Sutherland
Reed, Henry Gibson
Sangster, Joseph Edwin
Stapleton, Robert George
Wattus, Edmund Orson
Whiting, Eugene Carlisle
Whiting, Frank Moore—41

RECAPITULATION.

On roll per last report.. 38
Greeted 2
Affiliated ..... 1— 41 Now borne upon the roll. 41

SAN DIEGO COUNCIL, No. 23.

SAN DIEGO, SAN DIEGO COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS.

William John Mossholder, *T. I. M.*
Montgomery McDonald Moulton, *D. I. M.*
William Kettner, *P. C. W.*
Samuel Warren Hackett, *Treas.*
Edward Cunningham Hinkle, *Recorder.*
Fred Arnold Schneider, *C. of G.*
Charles Brown, *Cond. of C.*
Charles Wylie Buker, *Steward.*
John Burchard Osborn, *Chaplain*
Frank Dodgeson Jefferis, *Sentinel.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Bach, George Jacques
Banks, Frank Simpson
Burden, Frederick Daniel
Butler, George
Butler, John Tilton
Laing, Oscar Smith
Landis, Harry Melancthon
McKie, Hugh Nathaniel
Mendenhall, Americus Luther
Niccolls, Eben S.
Peterson, Edward Whitfield
Purdy, William Frederick
Reed, Suel Archie
Taylor, David Gray
Thomas, Edward Henry—25

RECAPITULATION.

Petitioners for Dispensation 12
Greeted 10
Affiliated ..... 3— 25 Now borne upon the roll. 25

SISKIYOU COUNCIL, No. 24.

YREKA, SISKIYOU COUNTY.

Stated Assemblies,

OFFICERS.

Harvey Johnson Sarter, *T. I. M.*
Robert Hewitt DeWitt, *D. I. M.*
Alfred C. Abshire, *P. C. W.*
———————— *Treas.*
Clifford Ederick Butler, *Rec.*
James William Bird, *C. G.*
William Buckner Shearer, *C. C.*
John Edward Pashburg, *Steward.*
James Marcellus Powers, *Sentinel.*

SELECT MASTERS.

Beard, John Samuel
McLeod, Hugh
Tapscott, James Robert
Wilson, Jeremiah Judson—12

LIST OF COUNCILS

With a Summary of their Returns for the Year Ending January 31, 1910.

	NAME OF COUNCIL	No. of Council	Greeted	Affiliated	Restored	Withdrawn	Excluded	Suspended N. P. D.	Suspended for unmasonic conduct	Expelled	Died	Number of members	Dues to Grand Council
1	SACRAMENTO	1	12	.....	.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	2	243	$ 133 50
2	CALIFORNIA	2	13	3	1	6	.....	1	.....	.....	9	355	190 50
3	MARYSVILLE	3	14	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	47	37 50
	*SIERRA NEVADA	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	SONORA	5	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	92	47 00
5	SHASTA	6	22	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	64	54 00
	*VIRGINIA	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	*YREKA	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	HELENA	9	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	53	27 50
7	STOCKTON	10	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	108	54 00
8	LOS ANGELES	11	27	5	.....	1	4	10	.....	.....	12	584	319 00
9	OAKLAND	12	19	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	320	179 00
10	GATEWAY	13	1	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	76	39 00
11	SANTA ANA	14	3	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	103	54 50
12	VENTURA	15	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41	20 50
13	PASADENA	16	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	55	27 50
14	SANTA CRUZ	17	9	1	.....	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	48	33 00
15	FRESNO	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	25 00
16	SANTA BARBARA	19	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	41	25 50
17	SAN JOSE	20	13	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	62	44 00
18	POMONA	21	6	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	31 00
19	OROVILLE	22	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41	22 50
20	SAN DIEGO	23	10	A15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	22 50
21	SISKIYOU	24	.....	B12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....
	TOTALS		158	42	2	21	7	13	.....	.....	46	2470	$1387 00

*Charter surrendered. Petitioners for Dispensation, A. 12, B. 12. Gain 115.

RECAPITULATION

Number of Councils		24
Number of Councils working		21
Number of Councils making returns		20
Greeted during the year	158	
Affiliated	42	
Restored	2	
		202
Withdrawn	21	
Excluded for N. P. D. in Lodge or Chapter	7	
Suspended for non-payment of dues	13	
Died	46	
		87
Gain		115
Total Membership		2470

ADDRESSES OF GRAND RECORDERS.

GRAND COUNCILS

Sovereign and Independent Grand Councils

Grand Council.	Grand Recorder.	Address.
Connecticut	James McCormick	152 State St., Hartford
Illinois	Geo. W. Warvelle	Masonic Temple, Chicago
Kentucky	Henry B. Grant	Louisville
Michigan	Charles A. Conover	Coldwater
New Jersey	Hiram E. Deats	Flemington
Pennsylvania	Frank W. Martenis	South Bethlehem
Rhode Island	William R. Greene	Box 576, Providence
Texas	John A. Bryan	Waco

Constituent Grand Councils of the General Grand Council

Gen. Gd. Council	Henry W. Mordhurst	Ft. Wayne, Ind.
Alabama	George A. Beauchamp	Montgomery
Arkansas	Fay Hempstead	Little Rock
California	Thomas A. Davies	110 Sutter St., San Francisco
Colorado	Ernest Le Neve Foster	Room 39, Masonic Temple, Denver
Florida	Wilber P. Webster	Jacksonville
Georgia	William A. Wolihin	Macon
Indiana	Calvin W. Prather	Indianapolis
Iowa	Alfred Wingate	Des Moines
Kansas	Albert K. Wilson	Topeka
Louisiana	Richard Lambert	Masonic Temple, New Orleans
Maine	Stephen Berry	Portland
Maryland	Gus A. Eitel	1521 N. Caroline St., Baltimore
Massachusetts	J. Gilman Waite	Room 209, Masonic Temple, Boston
Minnesota	John Fishel	Masonic Temple, St. Paul
Mississippi	Frederic Speed	Vicksburg
Missouri	Robert F. Stevenson	510 Pine St., St. Louis
Nebraska	Francis E. White	1608 Capitol Ave., Omaha
New Hampshire	Harry Morrison Cheney	Concord
New York	Charles T. Lunt	382 Sixth Ave., New York
North Carolina	James C. Munds	Wilmington
Ohio	William E. Evans	Chillicothe

Oklahoma.....JOSEPH S. MURROW.....Atoka
Oregon .....SETH L. POPE .....P. O. Box 256, Portland
South Carolina .....ZIMMERMAN DAVIS .....Charleston
Tennessee .....JOHN B. GARRATT..306 7th Ave North, Nashville
Vermont .....HENRY H. ROSS .....Burlington
Washington .....EDWARD R. HARE .....Tacoma
Wisconsin .....WILLIAM W. PERRY .....Milwaukee

Foreign Grand Councils

England and Wales..CHARLES F. MATIER....Mark Masons Hall, Great Queen St., London, W. C.
Maritime Provinces .WM. B. WALLACE..... 65 Prince William St., St. John, N. B..

Representatives of the Grand Council of California

Near Other Grand Councils

Arkansas .....GAYLORD J. KLOCK .....Eureka Springs
Canada .....J. ROSS ROBERTSON .....Toronto
Colorado .....CROMWELL TUCKER .....Denver
Connecticut .....ALEXANDER B. SHUMWAY .....Litchfield
Florida.....LOUIS C. MASSEY .....Orlando
Georgia ..... J. BEN ROBERTS .....Atlanta
Illinois ..... JOHN A. LADD .....Morrison
Indiana ..... ORLANDO W. BOANBACK .....Pendleton
Iowa .....W. H. NORRIS .....Manchester
Kansas .....JAMES SNEDDEN .....Wichita
Kentucky .....WM. RODES SHACKELFORD.....Richmond
Louisiana .....H. C. BROWN .....New Orleans
Maine .....MILLARD F. HICKS .....Portland
Maryland .....WM. F. BEVAN .....Baltimore
Massachusetts .....EDWARD M. WOODWARD.....Worcester
Michigan .....BAYARD A. CHURCH .....St. Louis
Minnesota .....J. T. JOHNSON.105 Lincoln Ave., E. Fergus Falls
Mississippi .....A. A. POSEY .....Aberdeen
Missouri .....EDMUND E. MORRIS .....
.....301 Fidelity Trust Bldg., Kansas City
Nebraska .....WM. F. BUCHANAN .....Hastings
New Hampshire ....JOHN F. MAYNARD.....Plymouth
New Jersey .....MORRIS S. SMOKER .....Merchantville
New York .....THEODORE M. BARBER.....144 Fitch St., Syracuse
North Carolina .....W. F. RANDOLPH .....Asheville
Ohio .....ARTHUR P. CRANE .....Toledo
Oklahoma.....JABEZ H. MANN.....McAlester
Oregon ..... .SETH L. POPE .....Portland
Pennsylvania .....REUBEN E. TAFT .....Titusville
Rhode Island.....ROBERT S. FRANKLIN .....Newport
South Carolina.....J. E. MCDONALD .....Winnsboro
Tennessee .....C. H. SMART.....1516 Laurel St., Nashville
Texas.....P. M. RILEY .....Grandview
Vermont .....GEORGE W. WING .....Montpelier
Washington .....W. A. FAIRWEATHER .....Tacoma
Wisconsin .....MARK EUBANKS.....Rice Lake

Representatives of Other Grand Councils

Near the Grand Council of California

Arkansas	W. Frank Pierce	1000 Chestnut St., S. F.
Canada	George Alexander McKenzie	Stockton
Colorado	———	
Connecticut	Frederick Ferdinand Barss	Placerville
England and Wales	———	
Florida	Henry Sayre Orme	Los Angeles
Georgia	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles
Illinois	Wm. B. Scarborough	Los Angeles
Indiana	David M. Sutherland	Los Angeles
Iowa	Albert H. Merritt	Elmhurst, Alameda Co.
Kansas	Henry Ascroft	San Francisco
Kentucky	Chas. Joseph Willett	Pasadena
Louisiana	August Wackerbarth	Los Angeles
Maine	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco
Maritime Prov., N. B	John A. Britton	925 Franklin St., San Francisco
Maryland	Charles Willis Norton	Stockton
Massachusetts	———	
Michigan	William Monroe Petrie	Sacramento
Minnesota	John Gould Bisbee	Auburn
Mississippi	Robert Ash	San Francisco
Missouri	George Penlington	San Francisco
Nebraska	James William Towner	Santa Ana
New Hampshire	Edward Richards Hedges	Oakland
New Jersey	Wm. Henry Gaynor	Los Angeles
New York	Charles Lord Field	San Francisco
North Carolina	John Francis Hughes	Los Angeles
Ohio	James Hedges Hall	Santa Ana
Oklahoma	Wm. Hewson Davis	Los Angeles
Oregon	Thomas Ochtreigh Heydenfeldt	Redwood City
Pennsylvania	Edward Richards Hedges	Oakland
Rhode Island	Wm. Ohmer Girardey	Sacramento
South Carolina	James Bestor Merritt	Oakland
Tennessee	Henry Sayre Orme	Los Angeles
Texas	Henry Sayre Orme	Los Angeles
Vermont	William Abraham Davies	110 Sutter St., San Francisco
Washington	———	
Wisconsin	Thompson Wilson Drullard	Santa Cruz

GRAND OFFICERS

ELECTED SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND COUNCIL, JUNE 26, A. DEP. 2860

1860.

*Isaac Davis .....*Grand Master.*
*William Caldwell Belcher .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Adolphus Hollub .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*James Lawrence English .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1861.

*William Caldwell Belcher .....*Grand Master.*
*Adolphus Hollub .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*James Lawrence English *Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Isaac Sutvene Titus .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1862.

*Adolphus Hollub .....*Grand Master.*
*Isaac Sutvene Titus .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Abraham Davies .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*John Ashby Tutt .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1863.

*Isaac Sutvene Titus.....*Grand Master.*
William Abraham Davies.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Anderson Seavy.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Charles L. Danielson .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1864.

William Abraham Davies .....*Grand Master.*
*Anderson Seavy .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Louis Cohn .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
William Alexander January ....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1865.

*Anderson Seavy .....*Grand Master.*
*Louis Cohn .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Alexander January ....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1866.

*James Lawrence English .....*Grand Master.*
*Alvin Bacon Preston .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1867.

*Alvin Bacon Preston .....*Grand Master.*
*Joseph Isaacs .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*William Franklin Knox .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1868.

*Joseph Isaacs .....*Grand Master.*
Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Franklin Knox .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Stephen Wing .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1870.

Frederick Ferdinand Barss .....*Grand Master.*
*Stephen Wing .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Leonard Gross .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Thomas Kyle .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1871.

*Stephen Wing .....*Grand Master.*
*Thomas Kyle .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1872.

*Thomas Kyle .....*Grand Master.*
*William Thomas Reynolds .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1873.

*William Thomas Reynolds .....*Grand Master.*
*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1874.

*Powell Samuel Lawson .....*Grand Master.*
Henry Sayre Orme .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Edmund Taylor Wilkins .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1875.

Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Monroe Petrie .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1876.

Henry Sayre Orme .....*Grand Master.*
*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
William Monroe Petrie .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1877.

*George Tuttle Grimes .....*Grand Master.*
William Monroe Petrie .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
Edward Richards Hedges .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1878.

William Monroe Petrie .....*Grand Master.*
*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
Edward Richards Hedges .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*John William Rock .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1879.

*Edwin Aldrich Rogers .....*Grand Master.*
Edward Richards Hedges .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*John William Rock .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*Daniel Potter Bystle .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1880.

Edward Richards Hedges .....*Grand Master.*
*John William Rock .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*Daniel Potter Bystle .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
George Alexander McKenzie .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1881.

EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES .....*Grand Master.*
*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1882.

*JOHN WILLIAM ROCK .....*Grand Master.*
*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1883.

*DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE .....*Grand Master.*
GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM ....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1884.

GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE .....*Grand Master.*
*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM ....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
LEMUEL TRESCOTT CRANE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1885.

*FRANKLIN HENRY DAY.....*Grand Master.*
ROBERT GILMORE CUNNINGHAM ....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES LORD FIELD .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1886.

CHARLES LORD FIELD .....*Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1887.

CHARLES LORD FIELD .....*Grand Master.*
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1888.

JAMES BESTOR MERRITT .....*Grand Master.*
*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Illustrious Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1889.

*WILLIAM EDWARD OUGHTON .....*Grand Master.*
W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1890.

W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1891.

W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1892.

W. FRANK PIERCE .....*Grand Master.*
*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1893.

*DAVID PUGH MARSHALL .....*Grand Master.*
GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1894.

GEORGE PENLINGTON .....*Grand Master.*
*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1895.

*CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT .....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1896.

WILLIAM HEWSON DAVIS .....*Grand Master.*
HENRY ASCROFT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1897.

HENRY ASCROFT .....*Grand Master.*
ROBERT ASH .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1898.

ROBERT ASH .....*Grand Master.*
AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*JACOB HART NEFF.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1899.

AUGUST WACKERBARTH .....*Grand Master.*
*JACOB HART NEFF.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH ....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1900.

*JACOB HART NEFF.....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH ....*Deputy Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1901.

WILLIAM BYRON SCARBOROUGH ....*Grand Master.*
JOHN GOULD BISBEE .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1902.

JOHN GOULD BISBEE .....*Grand Master.*
ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1903.

ALBERT HUMPHREY MERRITT .....*Grand Master.*
DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
*EDUARD KEIL .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1904.

DAVID MONROE SUTHERLAND .....*Grand Master.*
*EDUARD KEIL .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1905.

*EDUARD KEIL .....*Grand Master.*
CHARLES J. WILLETT .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1906.

CHARLES J. WILLETT .....*Grand Master.*
CHARLES WILLIS NORTON .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR..... *Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1907.

CHARLES WILLIS NORTON .....*Grand Master.*
WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR..... *Deputy Grand Master.*
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY .....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1908.

WILLIAM HENRY GAYNOR..... *Grand Master.*
WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY .....*Deputy Grand Master.*
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

1909.

WILLIAM OHMER GIRARDEY.....*Grand Master.*
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD.....*Deputy Grand Master.*
BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT....*Grand. Prin. Con. of Work.*

1910.

THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD.....*Grand Master.*
BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT....*Deputy Grand Master.*
JOSEPH ABNER COURTER.....*Grand Prin. Con. of Work.*

*Deceased.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

1910

RELATIVE TO THE GRAND COUNCIL.

ARTICLE I.

OF ITS TITLE AND SEAL.

SECTION 1. This body shall be entitled "THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA," and shall have a Seal, bearing suitable devices and inscriptions, which shall be affixed to all instruments issued by or under its authority.

ARTICLE II.

OF ITS OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. The Grand Council shall be composed of a Grand Master, whose title shall be Most Illustrious; a Deputy Grand Master, a Grand Principal Conductor of Work, a Grand Treasurer, a Grand Recorder, a Grand Chaplain, a Grand Lecturer, a Grand Captain of Guard, a Grand Conductor of Council, a Grand Steward, whose title shall be Right Illustrious; a Grand Organist, and a Grand Sentinel, whose titles shall be Illustrious; all Past Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Masters, Past Grand Principal Conductors of Work; all Thrice Illustrious Masters, Deputy Illustrious Masters, and Principal Conductors of Work for the time being, of the several Councils under its jurisdiction, and all Past Thrice Illustrious Masters of such Councils, so long as all such officers and past officers remain members of any Council under the jurisdiction of the Grand Council.

ARTICLE III.

OF ITS POWERS AND AUTHORITY.

SECTION 1. This Grand Council has the sole government and superintendence of all Councils under its jurisdiction, with authority to

settle all controversies that may arise between them, to assign their limits, to prescribe laws and regulations for their government, and to review, confirm or annul their decisions.

SEC. 2. It shall have power to grant dispensations and charters for holding regular Councils within the State of California, and may revoke, suspend or annul the same.

SEC. 3. It may assess and collect from the several Councils under its jurisdiction such sums of money, annually, as may be found necessary for its maintenance and support.

ARTICLE IV.

OF ITS ASSEMBLIES.

SECTION 1. The Grand Council shall hold its Annual Assemblies at the same place in which the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California shall annually convene, and on the day preceding such Annual Convocation. Special Assemblies may be ordered by the Grand Master, at his discretion, or whenever desired by a majority of the Councils under this jurisdiction; but no business shall be transacted thereat other than that specified in such order.

SEC. 2. There must be at least five (5) Chartered Councils represented in order to transact any business in the Grand Council, either at an annual or special assembly.

ARTICLE V.

OF ITS ELECTIONS.

SECTION 1. The first five officers of the Grand Council shall be chosen by ballot at each Annual Assembly; shall be duly installed before the close thereof; and shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected and installed. A majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary for a choice. The remaining officers shall be appointed by the Grand Master. Any vacancy in office, occurring when the Grand Council is not in session, may be filled by the Grand Master, and the officer so appointed shall possess all the powers and be charged with all the duties of one regularly elected.

ARTICLE VI.

OF PROXIES.

SECTION 1. Each Thrice Illustrious Master, Deputy Illustrious Master, and Principal Conductor of Work of the subordinate Councils under this jurisdiction, may appear and vote by proxy, but such proxy must be a member of the same Council with his principal.

ARTICLE VII.

OF VOTING.

SECTION 1. Each member of the Grand Council present shall be entitled to one vote, and all questions shall be determined by a majority of votes. In all cases of a tie vote, except votes by ballot, the Grand Master, in addition to his proper vote, may have the casting vote.

ARTICLE VIII.

OF REVENUE.

SECTION 1. The revenue of the Grand Council shall be derived from the following sources:—

1st. For every dispensation to form a new Council, the sum of twenty-five dollars, of which ten dollars shall be the fee of the Grand Recorder;

2d. For every charter to perpetuate a new Council, the sum of twenty-five dollars, of which five dollars shall be the fee of the Grand Recorder;

3d. For a dispensation to hold an election for an officer or officers at a time other than that named in this Constitution, five dollars;

4th. For a diploma, five dollars, of which three dollars shall be the fee of the Grand Recorder;

5th. For each companion received and greeted, the sum of one dollar; and

6th. For each Royal and Select Master borne upon the rolls of the subordinate Councils at the date of their Annual Returns, the sum of fifty cents.

ARTICLE IX.

OF COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1. The following regular committees, to consist of three members each, shall be appointed by the Grand Master at each Annual Assembly, viz.:—On Credentials, on Reports of Grand Officers, on Jurisprudence, on Appeals and Grievances, on Finances and Returns, on New Councils and on Necrology.

OF THE GRAND OFFICERS.

ARTICLE X.

OF THE GRAND MASTER.

SECTION 1. The Grand Master shall have power, when the Grand Council is not in session, to issue dispensations for the formation of new Councils, and shall, either in person or by proxy, constitute all new Councils, when chartered, and install their officers. He may visit and preside in any Council within his jurisdiction, inspect its proceedings, and require its conformity to Masonic rule; and, during the recess of the Grand Council, may exercise all its executive functions.

ARTICLE XI.

OF THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, AND THE GRAND PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR OF WORK.

SECTION 1. In case of the death of the Grand Master, his absence from the State, or of his inability from any cause to perform the functions of his office, the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Principal Conductor of Work shall, in the order of their rank, succeed to and be charged with all the duties of that office.

ARTICLE XII.

OF THE GRAND TREASURER.

SECTION 1. The Grand Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the Grand Council from the Grand Recorder, and shall pay the same out under such regulations as by it may be provided. He shall keep a just account thereof in proper books, and at each Annual Assembly shall present a detailed statement of his receipts and disbursements, together with vouchers for the last, and a full statement of the existing conditions of the finances.

ARTICLE XIII.

OF THE GRAND RECORDER.

SECTION 1. The Grand Recorder shall keep an accurate record of all the transactions of the Grand Council which should be written. He shall collect the revenue, and pay it over to the Grand Treasurer. He shall present a detailed report of his receipts and of all business

appertaining to his office, at each Annual Assembly. He shall keep the seal of the Grand Council, and shall affix it, with his attestations, to all instruments emanating from that body, and to all dispensations issued by the Grand Master. He shall report at each Annual Assembly all unfinished business; shall conduct the correspondence of the Grand Council; and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned him by the Grand Council or Grand Master. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Grand Council may direct.

OF SUBORDINATE COUNCILS.

ARTICLE XIV.

OF THEIR FORMATION.

SECTION 1. Upon the petition of nine or more Royal and Select Masters, in good standing, the Grand Council, or the Grand Master, may issue a Letter of Dispensation, authorizing them to form and open a Council of Royal and Select Masters, with power to confer the several Cryptic degrees therein, and to receive members by affiliation. But no such Dispensation shall issue unless the petition be accompanied by a recommendation from the Council nearest to the location of the proposed new one, which shall certify to the good standing of each of the petitioners, to the proper qualifications of the officers whom they have nominated, and that a suitable place of assembling has been provided. The Dispensation thus issued shall terminate on the first day of the month in which the next succeeding Annual Assembly shall be holden, and then shall be re-returned to the Grand Recorder, together with the Book of Records, By-Laws and Returns, and if the transactions of the new Council shall appear satisfactory, it may, upon petition, receive a charter.

SEC. 2. A Council shall consist of a Thrice Illustrious Master, a Deputy Illustrious Master, a Principal Conductor of Work, a Treasurer, a Recorder, a Captain of Guard, a Conductor of Council, a Steward, a Sentinel, and as many members as may be found convenient.

ARTICLE XV.

OF THEIR DUTIES.

SECTION 1. Each Council shall hold a stated assembly at least once in each month for the transaction of its regular business. Special meetings may be ordered by the Thrice Illustrious Master, at his discretion. A failure to assemble for six successive months shall be

deemed sufficient cause for the arrest or revocation of the charter.

SEC. 2. The first five officers of each Council shall be chosen by ballot at the stated meeting next preceding the Anniversary of St. John the Evangelist, and shall be installed as soon thereafter as convenient. A majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary for a choice. The other officers shall be appointed by the Thrice Illustrious Master.

SEC. 3. The returns of each Council shall be made up to and including the last day of January in each year, and shall be forwarded within fifteen days thereafter, with the annual dues, to the Grand Recorder.

SEC. 4. The returns to the Grand Council shall contain the names of all the members, alphabetically arranged, the names of the Lodges and Chapters of which they may be members, the names of the Councils to which those who have affiliated during the year last belonged, and such other particulars as may be prescribed by the Grand Recorder.

ARTICLE XVI.

OF FEES AND DUES.

SECTION 1. No Council under this jurisdiction shall confer the degrees for a less sum than ten dollars, which fee must invariably accompany the petition. The dues of the members of each Council shall be such as may be provided in its By-Laws, and the non-payment of such dues for a period of twelve months, unless good reason therefor be shown, shall be punished by suspension.

ARTICLE XVII.

OF PROHIBITIONS.

SECTION 1. No Council shall confer the degrees of Royal and Select Master upon any one who is not a Royal Arch Mason in good standing.

SEC. 2. There shall not be a greater number of Councils established in this State than there are Royal Arch Chapters, nor more than one Council within the jurisdiction of a Chapter.

ARTICLE XVIII.

OF TRIALS AND APPEALS.

SECTION 1. The mode of procedure in all trials shall, as nearly as may be, be that which is now or may hereafter be prescribed in the Constitution and Regulations of the M.·.E.·.Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of this State; and appeals from the results of

such trials may in like manner as is directed by the Grand Chapter, be made to and adjudicated by the Grand Council.

ARTICLE XIX.

SECTION 1. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any Annual Assembly by the votes of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER

OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

RULE 1. When the Grand Council has assembled, the Grand Recorder shall call the roll, and if there be present the representatives of five (5) Chartered Councils, entitled to vote therein, the Grand Council shall be opened.

The Grand Master shall then appoint the following regular committees:—On Credentials, on Reports of Grand Officers, or Jurisprudence, on Appeals and Grievances, on Finances and Returns, on New Councils and on Necrology. No further business shall be transacted until the report of the Committee on Credentials shall have been received.

RULE 2. After the reception of the report of the Committee on Credentials, the minutes of the preceding Assembly shall be read by the Grand Recorder, unless otherwise ordered.

The address of the Grand Master, reports of the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer shall then be presented and referred to the proper committees in the order named.

RULE 3. The regular order of business shall then be as follows:

1st. Report of Committee on Fraternal Correspondence.

2d. Reception and action upon, or reference of, petitions, memorials and appeals.

3d. Reports of Regular and Special Committees, and action thereon.

4th. Motions, resolutions and other business.

5th. Unfinished business.

RULE 4. All reports submitted, all petitions, memorials or appeals presented, and all orders, motions or resolutions shall be in writing, and shall be read by the Grand Recorder before any action is taken thereupon.

RULE 5. No motion to reconsider shall be entertained, unless made during the same session when the question proposed to be reconsidered was decided, nor unless such motion be made by one who voted with the majority upon that question.

RULE 6. When a day and hour shall have been named for the election of Grand Officers, such election shall, at that time, take prece-

dence of all other business, unless the Grand Council, by a two-thirds vote, shall otherwise direct.

RULE 7. These rules shall only be suspended by unanimous consent, but may at any time be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

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1. That one or more of the Cryptic Degrees be exemplified at each succeeding session of this Grand Council, under the direction of the Grand Lecturer, the Degree to be exemplified to be optional with that officer.

2. That a Council of Royal and Select Masters of this jurisdiction be permitted and encouraged to visit any of the Chapters located nearer to it than to any other Council, take with it its clothing and jewels, and in said Chapter hall confer the Cryptic Degrees; provided, however, that the candidates upon whom the Degrees are to be conferred shall have been elected prior thereto at the local place of meeting of said visiting Council.

3. That a Companion Royal and Select Master shall not be permitted to sign the By-Laws until he has received the Super-Excellent Degree.

4. That the Grand Treasurer shall select a Bank, and when such selection is approved by the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master, it shall be the designated depository of this Grand Council, and all the money or funds shall be deposited therein, in the name and to the credit of the "Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California, ——————, Grand Treasurer."

That the money or funds of the Grand Council shall be withdrawn and paid out from the said Depository only on warrant signed "Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of California," by the Grand Master or Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Recorder, countersigned by the Grand Treasurer.

5. That the Grand Recorder of the Grand Council be directed to procure, each year, a Past Grand Master's Jewel, at a cost not to exceed fifty ($50) dollars, to be presented to each retiring Grand Master.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

ALABAMA.

1909.

The Grand Council of Alabama met in the city of Montgomery, December 6, 1909.

Present: All Grand Officers except Deputy Grand Master, with five Past Grand Masters and the representatives of all the eight Councils.

During the seventy-two years of the life of this Grand Council it must have seen many ups and downs, the downs being very numerous. Of the more than sixty Councils which have been organized only eight remain. Why this is thus we can only surmise. But eight live Councils are a nucleus, and time, patience and hard work can put the number of Councils at the old figure.

Grand Master was disappointed at the poor showing made, but it is better than last year, and he gives good advice to the individual members, urging them to work.

Grand Master attended the General Grand Council and was pleased with what he saw. Found very little to do as Grand Master, but did what was necessary.

Grand Treasurer reported a balance of $287.40.

Grand Recorder reported an increase of 29 members.

At the request of several Councils the Grand Council conferred the degrees on a number of elected candidates.

It seems to us that in a jurisdiction where work is scarce this is depriving Councils of work which they ought to do.

Eight Councils; 467 members.

LAWRENCE H. LEE, Montgomery, Grand Master; GEO. A. BEAUCHAMP, Montgomery, Grand Recorder.

ARKANSAS.

1909.

The Forty-seventh Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Arkansas was held in the city of Little Rock, November 19, 1909.

Present: All the Grand Officers except Steward. Eight Past Grand Masters were on hand, and nineteen Councils were represented, eight of them being U. D.

Grand Master "felt good" all the way through. He had to report the most prosperous year within the memory of the present generation. Speaking of the importance of expediting proceedings he says: "I know of no place where time can be saved to better advantage than in the annual report of the Grand Master."

Yet his report is fully up to the average in length, because he really had something to say.

Comp. WARVELLE has the right of the matter, when, in his caustic way, he criticises the tendency of Grand Masters to philosophize, sermonize, and poeticize in their addresses, thus filling up pages when they really have nothing to say.

But when something has been *done* by Grand Master and his officers any number of pages may well be filled by a concise statement of the same. Grand Master says: "Many dispensations have been issued." We were greatly surprised to find that these dispensations amounted to something, being for the purpose of forming new Councils, waking up dormant ones, and electing officers, and not for the purpose of permitting Councils to do what they ought to have a perfect right to do. Success gives courage. Having instituted nine new Councils and resurrected three dead ones, he issues a dare to his successor—naming fifteen towns where Councils ought to be formed. We hope Comp. BONE will take the dare, and do even better.

Grand Master was a little suspicious of our big young sister Texas, but wisely kept quiet till General Grand Council settled the matter.

He reports attendance on General Grand Council and raises his optimism to the Nth power when he announces the probable conversion of that hardened sinner, Comp. GRANT, and the adhesion of Kentucky to the General Grand Council.

So mote it be, but ? ? ?

Comp. HEMPSTEAD, Grand Recorder, was also in good spirits. More work in his office than ever before, and, having been advanced to the position of Gen. Grand Marshal, he is the biggest toad in the Arkansas puddle. Consequently, he breaks out into song, and melodiously commemorates the barbecue "Under the oaks at Coleraine." Cursed be the fate that prevented our attendance on that occasion.

Charters were granted to seven of the Councils U. D., one dispensation was continued, and one we find in the list of chartered Councils, but the minutes do not show that the Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended the charter or that it was granted.

Grand Council ordered a Committee on Correspondence, and Comp. HEMPSTEAD received the appointment, so we will have the pleasure of a skirmish with him next year.

Thanks were generously distributed. Comp. HEMPSTEAD recited his poem "Adios," and the Grand Council was *duly* closed.

As next year is the fiftieth anniversary we hope they will have even a more joyous occasion at that time.

Twenty-eight Councils: 628 members.

JOHN C. BONE, Batesville, Grand Master; FAY HEMPSTEAD, Little Rock, Grand Recorder.

CONNECTICUT.

1909.

This, the oldest of all Grand Councils, held its ninety-first Annual Assembly in the city of New Haven, May 12, 1909.

All the Grand Officers were present; also twelve Past Grand Masters and the representatives of twenty-three Councils.

Grand Master made the usual round of visits, found plenty of work to do, and did it.

Other Grand Officers reported work done and visits made. Life and prosperity evident everywhere.

Routine business only.

We begin the Correspondence report with a sigh for the Ill. Companion who so long and so well filled the position of Correspondent, and with whom we have broken friendly spears, Comp. BARLOW, whose thirtieth report was his last. Comp. GEO. A. KIES has taken up the pen, and we have his first report.

California gets a lively page. He seems to find an incongruity in our remarks on independence. Perhaps our views are not so far from his as he may think. We believe in independence, but believe that, as a society for mutual benefit, to bring together triennially the Companions from all parts of this wide land of ours, giving them an opportunity to compare notes, consult on matters for the general good, and form friendships, the G. G. C. is well worth its cost. But as a legislative body with governing powers, never.

We would like to see a Grand Lodge of the United States on the same lines; and further, a General Grand Lodge of the World to act as a sort of Hague Tribunal, to which all questions of regularity and the like might be submitted. It is strange how little we know of our neighbors. We have met Past Grands who imagine that the work of Masonry is everywhere the same, and who would reject a brother from some of our Grand Lodges, should they try to examine him, as clandestine, because his work and theirs materially differ.

Under Indiana he discourses concerning "lese majeste," as defined by a late Grand Master of Michigan, and says, "We cannot believe that even a respectable minority of the Masons of Michigan will stand for such an absurdity." Our "independent" views cause us to say the same, and more also. No matter if all the Masons in Michigan should sustain such an un-Masonic and un-American decision, they would not be respectable for they would thereby forfeit the respect of Freemasons and free men everywhere.

Concerning the recognition of Texas by Oklahoma and others, he sighs, "Alas, poor Mordhurst."

Under Minnesota, he hopes that the Companions are blessed with

the "digestion of an ostrich," because they sat down to a banquet prepared by the Eastern Star Ladies. Comp. RIES evidently, is not familiar with such banquets. The mild radiance of the Star never beams on aught indigestible, physical or mental. No "winding ways home" nor headaches in the morning.

Under Missouri, regarding dispensations to ballot, and confer degrees instanter, he says: "As an abstract proposition it would seem better to repeal the law which makes this kind of a dispensation necessary."

Yes, the only use of such a law is to give Grand Masters something to do, and to remind Councils that Grand Officers exist.

Under Ohio, he has "no patience with the remarkable view held by some Masons, that by reason of the antiquity of his office, a Grand Master of Masons has this prerogative, but that Grand High Priests, etc., do not possess it."

Right as to the last clause; but where did Grand Masters get that so-called prerogative? Comp. KIES and others argue that as Grand Masters have the power to issue dispensations to form new lodges, which carries with it the conferring of degrees, "They certainly must possess the power which they delegate to others."

In California this line of reasoning would give Grand Master the power to affiliate, demit, etc., which we have never yet heard any one claim. The power to grant dispensations is not inherent in Grand Master, but is conferred upon him by the Constitution, he acting simply as deputy of the Grand Lodge. Early in the history of our Grand Lodge we disciplined a Grand Master for assuming the authority to confer degrees, and it has never been claimed since.

We like a man who has opinions and expresses them, whether we coincide or not. Therefore we have enjoyed Comp. KIES' first effort.

Twenty-three Councils; 4,947 members.

E. J. POORLEY, Meriden, Grand Master; JAMES MCCORMICK, Hartford, Grand Recorder.

FLORIDA.

1907-08-09.

The Twenty-seventh Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Florida was held in the city of Jacksonville, January 18, 1907.

All the principal Grand Officers absented themselves, and left Grand Master with his Steward and Sentinel alone in their glory.

Three Councils being represented, Grand Master found timber to fill the vacant stations, and Grand Council was opened.

Grand Master found little to do, but tried to do that little well. He granted a dispensation to one new Council, and Grand Council approved his work by issuing a charter. He attended General Grand

Council at Boston, and joined in the general enthusiasm over the S. E. degree as worked by Boston Council.

No further business appearing, Grand Council re-elected the Grand Master, paid Grand Recorder the munificent sum of $25, and closed in Ample Form.

An appendix follows, giving the history of Grand Council from its constitution in 1858 by three Councils organized by ALBERT G. MACKEY, Inspector General, 33°, to its rehabilitation in 1893. During these years it had a checkered existence, meeting semi-occasionally, and more times not meeting at all.

May 18, 1908, Grand Council again convened. Five Councils were represented. Grand Master stayed away this time and most of the Grand Officers followed suit. Grand Master was up to his eyes in politics, making a fight to retain his seat in the State Senate.

He sent his written address. Had done nothing except to grant a dispensation for a Council at Tallahassee.

Not being able to get into working order, Grand Council permitted them to try another year U. D.

May 12, 1909, Grand Council held its Twenty-ninth Annual Assembly. Five Councils represented, and two Past Grand Masters woke up and reported themselves present. Grand Master got around this time, but four of his Grand Officers forgot all about it. Tallahassee Council was not mentioned, so we suppose it died "a bornin'."

Grand Master reported peace and harmony. So far so good, but we could stand a little grit on the axles if they would only turn once in awhile.

Wake up, Florida, and don't elect Grand Officers who will not pledge themselves to be present at Grand Council. Unavoidable accident alone excusing them.

Six Councils; 195 members.

OLIN WRIGHT, Plant City, Grand Master; WILBUR P. WEBSTER, Jacksonville, Grand Recorder.

GEORGIA.

1909.

The Sixty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Georgia convened in the city of Macon, April 27th, 1909.

Present: All the Grand Officers, Captain of Guard and Sentinel excepted. Two Past Grand Masters answered to roll call, and seventeen Councils were represented.

Grand Master was in an optimistic mood and thought that no time was like the present.

He says that "instead of mourning over our adversities we should

turn our faces toward the sun and absorb its spiritualizing light—ever ascending, never retrograding in all things." Certainly this is good advice. Further along he says:

"It is because Masonry imposes upon us these duties, that it is properly and significantly called *Work*. And that he who imagines that he becomes a Mason by merely taking the first two or three degrees, and that he can henceforward wear the honors of Masonry without labor or exertion, and that there is nothing more to be done in Masonry, is strangely deceived."

He enters into the discussion concerning the origin of the Cryptic degrees, giving the views of Mackey, Warvelle and others, but leaves the decision of the question to his successor, who will probably, if he is wise, do likewise, and so on ad infinitum. He rejoices that no one can charge the Georgia Councils with turning the S. E. degree into a farce.

Few dispensations were issued, one new Council formed, and one charter revoked.

After complimenting Texas on its large membership, and thanking that Grand Council for forms for petitions, etc., we are astonished to find him requesting a P. G. M. to *heal* a Texas Companion.

Why is this thus? While Chapters conferred the degrees in Texas we healed the Companions, but now that they have a Grand Council we certainly shall welcome them as equals.

The small amount of business before Grand Council was soon transacted. The Grand Officers were elected and installed and S. C. was closed. The new Grand Master made a salutatory speech and asked some very pertinent questions respecting the state of the Order, and the position of the minds of the Companions toward doing the necessary work to cause it to flourish.

Thirty-two Councils; 965 members.

JOHN R. WILKINSON, Atlanta, Grand Master, W. A. WOLIHIN, Macon, Grand Recorder.

ILLINOIS.

1909.

The Fifty-seventh Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Illinois was held in the city of Springfield, September 8, 1909.

All the Grand Officers except Chaplain and Treasurer were present. Sixteen Past Grand Masters showed their attachment to the Rite by their presence and forty-one Councils were represented.

Grand Master rejoiced that no vacancies had occurred in the membership of the Grand Council, and that peace and harmony had prevailed during the year. No decisions had been asked for, and a

healthy growth had been made. He was of the opinion, however, that his "Encyclical" dividing the State into nine Arches and appointing Superintendent thereof was of little force, as only two had reported anything done. Dispensations in numbers had been issued.

It sometimes looks to us that no meetings are held or business done in some states except by dispensation. A few visits had been made, and one Council constituted.

Grand Master recommended that the S. E. degree be made a part of the work, or else be dropped entirely. Grand Council, however, did not coincide.

Reports of Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder show gains in cash of $1,010.28, and in membership of 373.

It was ordered that all degrees be conferred in Full Form; and the per capita tax was reduced to fifty cents.

The Grand Council of Texas, "while not organized in conformity with ancient usage," was duly recognized.

Comp. WARVELLE was on deck with his usual assortment of brickbats which he slings with his wonted dexterity. He notices California 1908, and thinks our report equal to the one consumed in an "alleged" fire. No; that report was our best. We can never equal it. He agrees with our opinion on charters, but thinks the affiliation of members by a Council U. D. is a G. G. C. innovation. As our Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter have the same custom, the influence of G. G. C. must have had a strong prenatal existence.

He notes, under Indiana, that Grand Master paused in his address and asked for prayers, adding, probably in an undertone, that "some of those Hoosiers certainly need the prayers of the faithful." He tells tales out of school when he refers to the oases (he calls them life-saving stations), which he found in the desert wilds of dry Kansas.

He was deterred from visiting Comp. STEVENSON at St. Louis for fear of the "drouth," and under New Hampshire speaks of the "Spiritual" consolation formerly dispensed by the Stewards. Whither is Comp. WARVELLE drifting? Don't all reply at once.

He has no fault to find with the reception of "Distinguished Masons" in Ohio, mentioning it simply to show how they do it elsewhere.

He thinks the Grand Master of Oregon not well versed in the Bible, though in his address he delivered a panegyric on that ancient book. This caused us to again read the Oregon proceedings, and our report thereon. Grand Master does not claim an intimate knowledge of the contents of the book. Our criticism is upon his assertion concerning its use on the altars of Masonry "Three thousand and more years ago." We would like to have proof of its use even three hundred years ago.

He agrees generally with Comp. PERKINS of Vermont, but would

like him, or some one who believes as he does, to give a reason why a regularly elected and installed officer is not entitled to past rank irrespective of length of service. We also are waiting for that reason.

We are glad that he notices, under Washington 1908, that touching memorial to Grand Commandery. We were so taken aback by the array of "facts" therein contained that we could not trust ourselves to say anything about it, except to predict its fate.

If we are allowed to publish as "facts" our dreams of what might have been, and what ought to have been, we will start right now and write the most interesting history of Masonry ever published, including the Ritual of King Solomon in the original Hebrew, and that peculiar circumstance which caused him to assume the high prerogative of making Masons at sight.

Just give us liberty and we will give you something worth while.

Comp. WARVELLE finishes his review with a dissertation on prayer as used in Grand Council. His views accord with our own on that subject. A well aimed brick disposes of the Shechinah and another damages the *Superannuated* degree—not, however, beyond repair.

He touches on Past Rank German Masonry and the Cryptic Muse, and finally winds up in a long conclusion.

Long may he wave—setting an example to his Companions of the correspondence circle—that none of us can follow.

Fifty-one Councils; 6,211 members.

HARRY T. HUBBARD, Decatur, Grand Master; GEO. W. WARVELLE, Chicago, Grand Recorder.

INDIANA.

1909.

The Fifty fourth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Indiana was held in the city of Indianapolis, October 19, 1909.

Present: All the Grand Officers, sixteen Past Grand Masters, and every one of the sixty-three Chapters was represented.

Grand Master congratulated Grand Council on the manifest prosperity of the year, and then proposes a committee to place the question of prerequisition before the Grand Commandery of Indiana.

The Committee on Jurisprudence realizing the futility of such an appointment, the Grand Commandery having no jurisdiction, reported against it.

When will Grand Masters learn that prerequisition will never be obtained by working at the top? Begin as Texas has done at the Chapter, and the task will be an easy one.

Three new Councils received dispensations, and three dispensations

were issued to elect officers, at a time other than the regular annual meeting. He refused dispensation to receive and ballot on petitions at a special assembly, and permitted two Councils to move into new quarters. Why this permission was needed we do not know.

Grand Treasurer reported a balance of $4,566.82; and Grand Recorder reported an increase of membership amounting to 291.

The Inspector, whose duties seem to be those of a Grand Lecturer, had a report to make like Paddy's pork—a streak of fat and a streak of lean. About half the Councils did the work, some very well and some otherwise; the other half had no meeting or no work. Rather discouraging for the Inspector, who visited every Council, to find half of them not ready for his visit. He made several recommendations which, if carried out, would cause a great improvement in his next year's report. We notice that he says that the nature of the report of the committee on the character of candidates should not be made a matter of record.

Do you ballot on a candidate when there is an adverse report? If so, why is he not rejected? And if you do not, does not that fact become a record?

Farther on, prerequisition bobs up again in a resolution memorializing General Grand Council on the subject. What's the use? What can that illustrious body do about it? You might as well petition the English Parliament.

Charters were granted to the three Councils U. D., and provision was made for representation at Savannah.

Comp. MORDHURST writes his Twentieth Review. His dyspepsia of a few years ago has completely disappeared, and he goes at the work as fresh as a two-year-old. California gets a page of his notice, and he calls us "genial." If he could only perceive the crabbed old fellow, whose smile would turn milk sour, he might modify his opinion. As to the S. E. degree—he calls it appendant, which is one notch better than Warvelle's superannuated. Nevertheless, all California Companions must have it before they can sign the by-laws. It is now an integral part of our work.

Under Connecticut he gets a good one on Comp. KIES and others. He says they "are great leaders in General Grand Chapter, and never fail to turn up at the Triennials to enjoy the beauties of union and good fellowship, and it is one of the sights for the gods to see men like Grant of Kentucky and Speed of Mississippi, violent opponents of General Grand Council, deliver some of their fraternal eloquence at the Chapter Triennial."

The Grand Council of Georgia having requested Grand Commandery to use its influence in favor of Prerequisition, Comp. MORDHURST says: "Somehow Grand Councils fail to realize that Commanderies are no

longer so flourishing as in former days, and that many of them have as much trouble in getting a working quorum as have Councils. The sword tinsel and feather no longer attract the unthinking, and since the profane now look upon a Templar parade with something akin to amusement, the average Mason, not newly pledged, is not so anxious to make a holy show of himself in public, and, with display eliminated, the Commandery sinks to its level, which is that of Chapter and Council, and no more."

He copies WARVELLE's long screed on making Masons at sight, which we reviewed last year, and also, under Iowa, Comp. CLEVELAND'S remarks on the same subject. Comp. MORDHURST fights a little shy of recognizing Texas before General Grand Council acts on the subject. Now we have not yet heard what was done at Savannah, but we think we should not only recognize Texas, but all of us should go and do likewise.

Sixty-four Councils; 5,747 members.

EDWARD P. BUSSE, Evansville, Grand Master; CALVIN W. PRATHER, Indianapolis, Grand Recorder.

IOWA.

1909.

Iowa's Grand Council assembled for the tenth time since its resurrection, in the city of Davenport, October 5, 1909.

Present: All Grand Officers, except Chaplain.

Five Past Grand Masters answered to Roll Call, and thirteen Councils were represented.

Business cares prevented Grand Master from visiting to any extent, but he did manage to get out twice. Both times he witnessed degrees conferred upon a large class. A "sumptuous turkey dinner at one place and a six-course dinner" at the other did nothing to mar either occasion. No mention is made of next day's feelings. A good report of increase in members was made.

He requested the Grand Master of Michigan to permit Lansing Council No. 29 to confer the degrees upon a Companion elected by an Iowa Council. All right, but why this red tape, unless, as in the matter of dispensations, to give the Grand Master something to do. If an Iowa Companion comes here with a request, under seal from a Council, we will give him the degrees without bothering our Grand Master.

Grand Master had no recommendations to make; apparently all is right and the good work going on bravely. Let us hope that it will continue until the great State of Iowa has more than seventeen Councils.

Comp. W. F. CLEVELAND continues at the Correspondent's desk.

He reviews California, 1908 and 1909, and compliments the Correspondent on not having a "labored peroration" at the close.

We don't believe in a long tail to a small kite.

The reason that we did not review Iowa, 1908, was that no copy of the proceedings came into our possession, nor have we been able to get them for this year's report.

He girds at Georgia's suppliant attitude before Grand Encampment. Thinks we have had snubs enough from that eminent body and proposes the Texas plan whereby to accomplish the end.

Also don't like Georgia's deep purple dress.

To all of which we add a loud Amen.

On the other hand, he compliments Missouri's white cover, with purple lettering, which certainly is good for the eyes. He says that Comp. STEVENSON throws bouquets and brickbats indiscriminately, but that even the sharp corners of the bats cause no bruises.

Continue to write, Comp. CLEVELAND! We enjoy reading your Reports and believe the other members of the Circle do likewise.

Seventeen Councils; 978 members.

I. T. FORBES, Marshalltown, Grand Master; ALF. WINGATE, Des Moines, Grand Recorder.

KANSAS.

1909.

The Forty-first Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Kansas met in the city of Wichita, February 15, 1909.

Chaplain and Steward were the only absentees. Nine Past Grand Masters were present and eleven Councils were represented.

Grand Master said: "The past has no terrors for us, and the future is big with promise."

Certainly Kansas is "big enough and old enough, and ought to know enough to be as strong and active in Cryptic Masonry as in the other branches of the Fraternity."

Further, he says: "It is no idle dream that I may yet live to see the day when every Royal Arch Mason will desire to know those things which can only be revealed to him through the mysteries of our art." One step beyond Texas, and every Royal Arch Mason will be obliged to know and so forth whether he will or no.

Grand Master issued dispensations for raids by Councils into the enemy's country. A number of Royal Arch Masons were captured and a new Council was established.

He reported the "deposit" on Pike's Peak to be safe, but lightnings or vandals had defaced the plate, and one rail of the fence was lo Grand Council promptly ordered repairs.

A new pen has written the Correspondence report, wielded by one who signs three Ms, MATTHEW M. MILLER.

Welcome, Companion, to the Round Table!

Complimenting deservedly our volume of Proceedings, which Comp. DAVIES knows so well how to get up, he complains that Kansas has no mention therein. No fault of ours. Your Proceedings did not arrive, and our Telepathic connections do not as yet extend over the mountains.

Under Indian Territory, he criticises the results of Comp. KNEISLEY'S researches into the "Genius of Cryptic Masonry," and voices our feelings when he says "We were all ready to cry 'Eureka!' but the light failed." Give us something more affirmative "next time, Comp. K."

We have read every thing "come-at-able" on this question, and find that undoubtedly Mackey, Barker and other thirty-thirds did confer the degrees and establish councils, but where they obtained either the degrees or the authority to confer them no one appears to know.

Under Missouri he gives a new origin for the name "sucker," as applied to Illinoisans. As the ages go by new derivations will continually be found, but, like Cryptic Masonry, no one can with certainty tell whence it came.

He winds up by advising the Grand Master of Wisconsin to put the rituals in boxes labelled "Take one," in public places, and then, if the Sons of Ham offer them at a less rate, devise further action.

Thirteen Councils; 1,385 members.

ALVA J. APPLEGATE, Wichita, Grand Master; ALBERT K. WILSON, Topeka, Grand Recorder.

KENTUCKY.

1909.

The Grand Council of Kentucky assembled for the eighty-second time at Louisville, October 18, 1909.

Present: All the Grand Officers.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters thought it worth while to attend, and thirteen Councils sent representatives.

Grand Master could not report an advance, but hoped that the seed sown would yield abundantly in the future.

As a means of creating more interest in the Rite, Grand Master recommended the Texas plan, also that Grand Chapter and Council meet at a different time from Grand Lodge, and that mileage be paid to representatives.

No decisions were asked for and no dispensations granted. Go up to the head of the class, Comp. BOARD!

Several visits were made, at which an absence of proper paraphernalia was noticed.

Grand Master also hoped that some Companion would propose a scheme for inspecting the work of the Council. The Jurisprudence Committee in its report echoed the hope, but nobody "peeped."

In the matter of the Grand Master's recommendations, nothing appears to have been done about adopting the Texas plan. An amendment to the Constitution was adopted, changing the time of meeting, conditioned on Grand Chapter agreeing thereto, and a committee was appointed to consider the matter of mileage.

Grand Recorder finds it difficult to get returns from Councils and wants some inventive genius to get busy on the matter. Twelve Councils failed to pay dues, which was hard on the finances, yet all bills were paid, and nearly $1,000 in the strong box.

Instead of a Report on the Doings, etc., Comp. GRANT gives us a list of members. Perhaps that is more interesting than some of our reports, but Comp. GRANT has shown what he can do toward waking us up, and, having demonstrated his abilities, now quits.

Thirty-four Councils; 1,646 members.

HANSON PETERSON, Cynthiana, Grand Master; HENRY B. GRANT, Louisville, Grand Recorder.

LOUISIANA.

1908-1909.

The Grand Council of Louisiana assembled for the fifty-third time in the city of New Orleans, February 5, 1908. All the Grand Officers were present. Six Past Grand Masters appeared on the scene, and six Councils were represented. Grand Master deplored the lack of progress evident in the jurisdiction, but acknowledged that it was partly his fault. As usual in such—in fact, in almost all cases—he looked for better things in the future. What would become of us if Hope was taken away.

Grand Treasurer reported disbursements slightly exceeding the receipts. Grand Lecturer stated that several Councils were in gestation. Masons in several towns, having erected new Temples, seem anxious to have Councils organized therein. Jewels were presented to all Past Grand Masters present, bills paid and officers elected.

February 4, 1909, the Fifty-fourth Annual Assembly was held at the same place.

There were some signs of progress..

Grand Steward was absent, but all other Grand Officers were in their seats. Seven Past Grand Masters reported "present," and eight Councils were represented.

Grand Master had visited two Councils and was royally received. Floods prevented further visits, as well as the rehabilitation of Shreveport Council, and other work which he had planned. The work, however, is only delayed, not given up. One new Council was formed. Grand Treasurer had nearly recovered his lost ground. Comp. HERMAN C. DUNCAN writes the Report, in which he notices California, 1908. Concerning this Correspondent, he says, "The Companion must be endowed with prophetic vision." If such be the case,

"'Tis the sunset of life gives us mystical lore."

He does not agree with Comp. MORDHURST that the recognition of the Grand Council of Texas is a matter for General Grand Council to decide.

Judging from the action of the Grand Councils, Comp. MORDHURST appears to be in a small minority, if not alone.

Replying to Comp. WILLIAMS of Ohio, who suggests that, perhaps, Louisiana Companions learn their work in their bathrooms, he says, if such be the case, the result must be "clean work."

Nine Councils; 511 members.

J. L. WEAVER, Nachitoches, Grand Master; RICHARD LAMBERT, New Orleans, Grand Recorder.

MAINE.

1909.

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of Maine assembled for the fifty-fifth time, in the city of Portland, May 5, 1909.

Present: All the Grand Officers, fourteen Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of fourteen Councils.

Grand Master rejoiced that the official ranks of Grand Council were unbroken, and referred to the Report of the Committee on Correspondence for mention of the losses of other jurisdictions, thus making that committee a Committee on Necrology—from which please excuse us. He had extended the congratulations and greetings of Grand Council to the new Grand Council of Texas, thus giving it formal recognition in advance of any action by Grand Council. He also granted the usual batch of dispensations and made a number of visits. He especially complimented Portland Council, with its 800 members and $3,700 in its treasury, and suggests compensation for the Grand Treasurer and a raise for the Grand Recorder.

Reading further, we find that $15 was voted to Grand Treasurer, but Grand Recorder is still left to "work for nothing and board himself."

Deputy Grand Master and Grand Principal Conductor of the Work made reports of visitations, from which we conclude that the Rite is in a fairly prosperous condition.

There was practically no business to occupy the attention of Grand Council, so they quietly closed and went home.

Comp. ALBRO E. CHASE continues his labors as Correspondent. California is noticed, and he quotes our opinion on the Charter question, but neither dissents nor concurs.

Under Kansas he quotes Comp. MILLER's remarks about the crawdad hole. We learn a great deal as we grow older. Those ravenous suckers that would bite at anything, even a bare hook, we were never able to find, though we have fished many a day in Illinois—and sucking water from a crawdad hole is something we never heard of in that land of "cornfields great."

He does not relish the action of Nebraska, in compelling Companions, members of defunct Councils, to take Grand Council demits within six months. Our Grand bodies do worse than that. Suspension practically takes place when the body dies, and resurrection can only be effected by application to the Grand Secretary, or Recorder, as the case may be.

Sixteen Councils; 4,359 members.

MURRAY B. WATSON, Auburn, Grand Master; STEPHEN BERRY, Portland, Grand Recorder.

MARYLAND.

1909.

The Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Maryland was held in the city of Baltimore, November 17, 1909.

Four of the appointed Grand Officers were absent; four Past Grand Masters were present, and ten Councils were represented.

Grand Master's address was "short and sweet." He visited every Council in the State and found all but one in a flourishing condition. He also attended the General Grand Council at Savannah.

Grand Treasurer reported a balance of $459.88.

Grand Representatives were welcomed.

The Thrice Ill. Masters of seven Councils were installed by the Grand Master, and authority given to all Thrice Ill. Masters of Councils to install officers. This is something peculiar. Is it not the rule in all bodies that the presiding officer has authority to install his successor, and the other officers?

Perhaps this is the exception that proves the rule. As no one could find any business to bring before Grand Council, it was closed in Ample Form.

Thirteen Councils; 1,238 members.

THOS. L. MATTHEWS, Baltimore, Grand Master; GUSTAV A. EITEL, Baltimore, Grand Recorder.

MASSACHUSETTS.

1908.

Two highly successful Special Assemblies of this Grand Council were held during the year for exemplification of the work.

The first, at Springfield, held March 25, 1908, was presided over by G. S. MacFarlane, Grand Principal Conductor of Work. The degrees were exemplified by three different Councils. The Committee on Cipher Rituals made a report, which was adopted.

On October 30, 1908, the Second Special Assembly was held in Boston, at which the Grand Master and nearly all the officers of Grand Council were present.

As before, the degrees were exemplified by three different Councils. A banquet intervened between the Select and Super-excellent degrees, and bouquets were thrown *ad. lib.*

The Annual Assembly was held in Boston, December 9, 1908, all of the Grand Officers being present. Three Past Grand Masters only were present, but the roll call showed the presence of eleven Past Deputy Grand Masters and nine Past Principal Conductors of the Work.

"Rotation in office" does not seem to prevail. It is none of our business, yet it looks strange that so many Companions should have been found unable, unwilling or unworthy to be advanced. Twenty-one Councils were represented.

The order of business seems to be reversed in Massachusetts. Grand Recorder was first heard. He reported a net increase of 248 members, and receipts amounting to $2,333.20. He submitted a Harveyized steel form of receipt to be given by officers receiving the new cipher Rituals and keys thereto which was adopted by Grand Council.

Grand Treasurer reports expenditures slightly in excess of receipts, but as Grand Council has still over $6,000 in the bank no fear of bankruptcy need be entertained.

Grand Council refused to amend the law so as to permit a Companion to apply to the most convenient, rather than to the nearest Council. Most of the business of Grand Council having been transacted, Grand Master delivered a long address setting forth his various acts. He issued a good many dispensations for the usual reasons, one, however, strikes us as peculiar. It was to a Council, giving them permission to do the work for another Council out of the State. What puzzles us is, how, and by what means, does he hold jurisdiction in Vermont? We have several times conferred degrees in other States, at the request of the presiding officer of the body, without permission of any Grand, not suspecting that we were violating anybody's "jurisdiction." If one Bro. Comp. or Sir Kt. can do this, why cannot a dozen do it at the same time?

It seems that a card has been prepared, but the use of it does not seem to be obligatory. A new Ritual has been prepared and new lectures, and Grand Master earnestly urges the use of the same.

It seems that the Records and By-laws of Naphtali Council were destroyed by fire, and again the dispensation mill had to start up, even though the Charter was saved. Grand Master recommended that each Council print their By-laws, and take some means for preserving at least one copy. All our bodies deposit copies with the Grand Secretary, or Grand Recorder, but the Great Fire destroyed all of them. But, as our bodies print their By-laws, it is probable that copies of all were preserved among the Brethren and Companions.

Grand Council voted to adopt all the recommendations of the Grand Master.

Referring to our remarks about rotation in office, we find, from the list of Grand Officers, that there have been twenty-three Grand Masters holding office, in all, seventy-three years. Only four Deputy Grand Masters, out of fifty-two, have been advanced to the Grand Master's chair; only two Grand Principal Conductors have held the office of Deputy, while three have been advanced directly to the Grand East. ABRAHAM A. DAME, the first Grand Master, held the office for thirty years, 1826-1856. The office of Grand Principal Conductor appears to have been instituted in 1857.

Comp. WAITE continues to write the Correspondence.

Under Arkansas he quotes Comp. HEMPSTEAD on Charters, citing the cases of Cincinnati Council and of Occidental of Little Rock, both of which worked for years without a charter. Comp. HEMPSTEAD takes the position that we have always held, that the Charter is but a written evidence of a fact. If my birth certificate is lost, stolen, or destroyed, do I cease living? Not to any great extent. If my deed is burned, do I have to vacate my house? So, if your Charter is missing, we will just work right along until the Grand Body meets, when we will ask for a duplicate—just for form's sake.

He gives California, 1908, over three pages, quoting quite freely from our chatter therein.

He criticises the proposed Ritual Committee of Connecticut, saying: "It only suggests the thought of the never-ending purpose which has been apparent for years of tinkering with the Rituals of Masonic Bodies."

They are "tinkering" them out of all recognition of us old fellows.

Under Illinois he calls the Texas Companions "ready-made." We hope that is not intended as a slur, as we believe Texas has hit upon the best plan of compelling Prerequisition. Instead of crawling at the feet of Grand Encampment and getting kicks, we will walk boldly in and ask "What are you going to do about it?"

Comp. WAITE has quoted freely all along the line the opinions of the Correspondents concerning the action of Texas. All seem to give more or less encouragement to the idea.

Under Kansas he asks, "What becomes of a Companion, a member of a Council, in his obedience, in case the body, under dispensation, never receives a Charter?

We do not know how it is in Kansas, but with us the Grand Recorder would issue a demit.

We have in all our bodies arranged that a member desiring to change from one body to another can do so without demitting, the election taking effect when the demit is filed. But, to petition for a new body, a demit must be taken, and we agree with Comp. WAITE that it would be better to hold the membership in abeyance until a Charter is granted or refused.

Comp. WAITE has 132 pages of good things in his report. And, if we don't look out, we will have as many pages of "dry-as-dust" in ours, which would bring down on our heads the wrath of the Finance Committee. Wherefore we must unwillingly quit.

Twenty-eight Councils; 7,537 members.

EVERETT C. BENTON, Belmont, Grand Master; J. GILMAN WAITE, Boston, Grand Recorder.

MICHIGAN.

1909.

The Fifty-first Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Michigan met at Bay City, May 17, 1909.

Present: All the Grand Officers, also thirteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of sixty of the sixty-three Councils.

Grand Master's address contained none of the stereotyped phrases, apologizing for non-performance of duty. He promised to do his best—and had fulfilled his promise. Be that "best" little or much, it is all any one can do. But work showed results, and the year was prosperous, despite financial panics and lack of employment. Many visits were made, and the ministerial duties of his office were not neglected. The usual batch of dispensations were issued and a few decisions, all except the second being in accordance with our practice.

We, however, would respect the seal of a Council, even though the document bearing it came direct, and not through the Grand Master.

It became his duty to announce the death of Past Grand Master HUGH MCCURDY, well known to Masons far beyond the boundaries of Michigan. His was a lovable character. Those of us who have listened to his eloquence will never forget "Our Hugh."

Grand Lecturer reported a year of steady work; his hands were up-

holding those of the Grand Master. Grand Treasurer reported disbursements much in excess of receipts, but we do not by any means anticipate bankruptcy for this strong Grand Council.

Fiftieth Anniversaries come very seldom, and a little extra expenditure can be pardoned. Hereafter Grand Recorder may issue duplicate Charters where the original has been destroyed, without waiting for the action of Grand Council.

Comp. CONOVER, commencing his Review, promises to "shorten up," but says that, to one "thoroughly steeped in a love and admiration for the Rite, it is sometimes a difficult thing to be brief."

That is just our feeling very often.

Speaking of the action of the Grand Council of Alabama on the question of Prerequisition, he says:

"It will never assume a dignity and command respect until we make it something more than a 'weak sister' that has to be carried around on a pillow by Grand Commandery. The degrees must be taken off the bargain counter and clothed with proper dignity to give value received before we can assault the rampart of the Grand Encampment with any hope of success."

California gets over a page of notice. Under Connecticut he hints that a combination of the Texas and Connecticut plans might be a good thing. Texas requires a Council petition and fee from each petitioner to Chapter, and a Companion, not a Royal and Select Master, finds it difficult to get his petition into a Connecticut Commandery.

Iowa, the broad-acred and broad-minded State of political "insurgents," he thinks is "real mean" to charge him $1.25 for a little nine-year history, when Michigan last year gave them a large fifty-year one, "free, gratis, for nothing."

Iowa is having a hard row to hoe, to overcome the effects of the merger. When she is fifty years old she will probably be able to donate her history on as liberal terms as Michigan did.

Comp. CONOVER concludes by expressing his delight at the roseate aspect of Cryptic Masonry, rejoices over the lessened wail for Prerequisition, and says "All hail to the Texas plan!"

Listen to our loud Amen!

Sixty-three Councils; 6,992 members.

EMORY TOWNSEND, Saginaw, Grand Master; CHAS. A. CONOVER, Coldwater, Grand Recorder.

MINNESOTA.

1909.

The Fortieth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Minnesota was held in the city of St. Paul, October 11, 1909.

The Grand Officers were all reported present. Seven of the eight Councils were represented, and fourteen Past Grands did not forget the assembling of themselves together.

Grand Master appointed a long list of committees, using up all his material, some of it twice over.

In his address Grand Master rejoices that the Reaper had found no ripe grain during the year. The Circle was unbroken.

Also that good progress had been made in numbers, and no one had "howled" for Prerequisition.

He thinks that $10 is too low a fee for the degrees. Why, in some jurisdictions, they are on the bargain counter at $3, but they are worth more than $10 to any Royal Arch Mason.

In the next sentence he complains of the poverty of Grand Council, and asks consideration of the financial problem.

We would say "Get busy," bring Royal Arch Masons into the fold. Then have dues high enough—and collect them.

He granted two dispensations, after a hard struggle with his conscience; but, finding that all his predecessors had done the same, and not wanting to be singularly good, he yielded to temptation.

The Committee on Jurisprudence found that Grand Master had no authority to grant the dispensations, but recommended an approving forgiveness.

Receipts and disbursements, as shown by reports of Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder, were rather small for a large State, but, as the membership increased over thirteen per cent., the net result was not bad. Twenty-five dollars was appropriated for the Correspondence Committee. So next year we will probably have a report. None this time.

The committee appointed to inspect the deposit in the secret vault in New York found all correct and so reported.

Eight Councils; 1,237 members.

JOHN T. JOHNSON, Fergus Falls, Grand Master; JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul, Grand Recorder.

MISSISSIPPI.

1909.

The Grand Council of Mississippi assembled in its Fifty-fourth Annual Assembly in the city of Meridian, February 17, 1909.

Principal Conductor of the Work, Steward and Marshal absent. Forty Councils were represented, but only Past Grand Masters DeLap and Cobb appeared on the scene.

Grand Master felicitates the Grand Council on meeting in the beautiful city of Meridian, the commercial and Masonic capital of the State,

where all branches of the order have their strongest bodies, and where the Masonic Home is situated.

Nothing was asked of him, and, so far as his brief address shows, he did nothing.

Contrasted with this is the work of the Grand Lecturer, who visited forty-three Councils, revived ten dormant ones, greeted one hundred and fifteen Companions and collected $814.60 for the Home—all at a total expense of $39.43. All of which is shown by an itemized report.

"Well done, good and faithful servant."

The plan of a joint Grand Lecturer with Grand Chapter worked so well that a continuance of the plan was recommended.

Perhaps no Companion is better qualified to write a Correspondence Report than Comp. SPEED, but financial or other reasons seem to prevent it.

Forty-six Councils; 1,960 members.

OLIVER L. MCKAY, Meridian, Grand Master; FREDERICK SPEED, Vicksburg, Grand Recorder.

MISSOURI.

1909.

The Forty-fourth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Missouri was held in the city of Joplin, April 27, 1909.

The Grand Officers were all present. Ten Councils were represented and eight Past Grand Masters answered to the roll call. Grand Master reported ten special dispensations, all of which trouble could have been obviated by a simple amendment to the Constitution, like that proposed in Wisconsin. We understand a dispensation to be something outside the law for the purpose of meeting an emergency. Now when emergencies are so plentiful as they seem to be in many jurisdictions they become a chronic condition, and should be met by something more to be depended upon than the simple will of a Grand Master.

He made two visits, and his representative, with sundry other Companions, spent the evenings of December 7, 8 and 9 conferring degrees in three different Councils.

His only recommendation was that Grand Council provide each Council with three copies of the General Grand Council Ritual.

Most of the Committees reported nothing doing; that on Necrology, however, made a full report on the deaths of a large number of Ill. Companions, while errors in the Returns of many Councils provoked the ire of the Committee having that matter in charge.

Comp. R. A. STEVENSON, Grand Recorder, presents a Report of 73 pages, of which California gets four.

Therein he makes remarks concerning this Correspondent, but, as they are mostly commendatory, we will not stir up strife by alluding to

the other sort. Thanks for the offer of the Tiled Recesses. He notes feelingly the loss of Comp. BARLOW of Connecticut. That revered Companion hoped that his thirteenth Report would not prove an unlucky number, but the Grand Master above, having employed him for full six years of overtime, admitted him to the Ninth Arch, there to take part in more exalted labors. Comp. STEVENSON advises good old Mother Georgia to take notice of many delinquencies in her officers and "bring her twig into action." He thinks Grand Master's Bible must be dust-covered, and, while applauding his sentiments, thinks they "seem to have been given in the confessional with a view to absolution." Not being of the clerical persuasion, we can have no opinion on that subject.

As usual, he throws a couple of bats at WARVELLE, some of which have rather a German accent. Criticises the slowness of Indiana in recognizing the newly awakened Grand Council of Texas, and thinks the Lone Star State has finally settled the Prerequisition question.

Finally, he disclaims a physician's sheepskin, and says he only attempts the befuddling process when writing Reviews, when it sometimes is necessary to "conceal the active principle of the remedy by sugar coating or gelatine."

Next comes a side fling at Martini cocktails, with a buckeye floating on top, which is beyond our comprehension.

He winds up a rather caustic Review of Iowa, as follows: "The trend and spirit of the production presents an Ikon, at whose shrine one may worship without suspicion of idolatry. It is one of the Three Manifestations, of which two are concealed and one revealed, generally termed Love."

For pure, refined acetic acid, or something even stronger, commend us to his Review of Kentucky.

He denies being a doctor, but he must have made deep researches into chemistry, as well as in the nomenclature of flora and fauna. *Anthropoda* and *Canis latrans* are his daily conversation. He has learned German, at least as far as "zwei bier," and occasionally drops into Hebrew. He says that, as Kentuckians can read, they need not learn the work, and, if they lose the Rituals, being sovereign and independent, they need not do it at all.

Calling Comp. GRANT a "goat sent to Gehenna" seems almost unparliamentary language.

Under New Hampshire he says that it is a poor rule that doesn't work both ways, "and, if yawning, gaping and stretching are infectious," why would not push and vim be equally so?

Reading further, we begin to think that Comp. STEVENSON is a doctor —a D. D. No mere layman could quote St. Paul and Haggai so glibly, but, though his Latin, German and Hebrew may be correct, where did he learn to spell Psuke, Zuke?

He closes his long and rather critical Review of New Hampshire by saying that he has a perverse way of looking at things cross-eyed.

No, he can't deny it; he is a doctor. Under Nebraska he gives himself dead away when he assumes to pass upon the merits of a not first-class mummy, saying that it is "deftly done, indicative of a skilled hand." What do we poor laymen know of mummy construction? A physician only can judge. To use his own scientific vocabulary, he is an *amphisboena;* the M. D. head inspects mummies, and the D. D. immediately quotes St. Paul—incorrectly.

Under New Jersey he goes into a disquisition on printing, and shows that there is little gain in small type. Missouri Proceedings are in good-sized type which even our aged eyes can read from 9 to 12, when they should be closed in sleep.

Continuing, he quotes Jeremy Taylor, disclaiming, however, any pungency:

"We also may make our thorns, which are in themselves pungent and dolorous to be a crown."

Now what is he at? Is he writing his pungent and thorny Reviews, like Orgetorix, incited *"cupiditati regnanti?"* Comp. HEMPSTEAD is the only crowned Correspondent, and none may claim rank with him, even though wearing a thorny crown.

Under Ohio he speaks of the zeal derived from banquets, quoting Shakespeare on the subject.

We have Belly Masons galore—never seen except at banquets, and, since our Grand Bodies cut out the booze, some are not seen at all.

He says the Grand Master of Oregon will be accused of trying to turn the Councils into beer gardens when he so urges the practice of eating and drinking together as often as possible.

Grub costs money, and, if we eat and drink at every meeting, either dues must be raised, or meetings be few and far between.

Commenting, under Vermont, on Comp. PERKINS' challenge of the right of Grand Council to confer degrees, he becomes the eminent jurist and writes the opinion of the Court: "Indefeasible power to grant authority indicates possession of the estate to be conveyed, or, at least, the right of possession, and if no title is held the transfer conveys nothing. The grant of authority usually restricts the exercise of the power conveyed, which implies that, beyond the restriction, it is retained." STEVENSON, C. J.

I concur, MERRITT, J.

He quits by quoting Isaiah to show the need of fertilizer in the Cryptic Garden.

Of all the Reports we have reviewed, this preacher-doctor-lawyer-naturalist has given the best, and that is not "knocking" anybody else. We have laughed over some of it, studied thoughtfully and soberly

over more, and found fault with a little. He has opinions and knows how to express them "pungently" and fearlessly.

Sixteen Councils; 1,823 members.

WM. R. BROCK, St. Louis, Grand Master; ROBT. F. STEVENSON, St. Louis, Grand Recorder.

NEBRASKA.

1909.

The Grand Council of Nebraska convened in its Thirtieth Session December 15, 1909. All Grand Officers except Steward being present, and seventeen Councils being represented.

Seven Past Grand Masters answered to roll call.

Grand Master reported the usual duties performed, a number of useless dispensations granted, and one pleasant visit made.

He finds the fees and dues to Grand Council so small that, were all Councils prompt in paying, the amount would just about pay the expenses of Grand Council, leaving nothing for emergencies or charity.

Of course he would not intimate that, occasionally, a Council might be a little dilatory.

An amendment raising Grand Council dues from twenty-five cents to fifty cents was laid over, under the rules.

Grand Treasurer reported $792.09 on hand.

The charter of the extinct Council at Sutton cannot be found.

Comp. CHARLES J. PHELPS writes most of the Correspondence Report, though four other Companions assisted him to the extent of reviewing five Grand Councils. Comp. PHELPS says:

"I like the task of writing a review, read with interest the proceedings involved and necessarily retain some of the information that a Freemason delights to possess."

He feels a little cramped in the limit set by his Boss—the Grand Recorder—but yields gracefully. California is noticed by Comp. PHELPS. He is much in love with the S. E. degree, "but only as an honorary degree. It has no historical relation with the tradition upon which the Cryptic Rite is founded."

True; and the same may be said regarding the Capitular degrees. There seems to be no connection between them; and yet no one would drop either of them—except, possibly, the P. M. He calls us "funny." Thanks. We prefer that designation. No one can call us a pessimist or a growler. Sometimes—many times—we see things that ought not to be; but why be sour over it. Better the situation if possible—but if not, make the best of it, and smile.

In his review of Illinois he doesn't seem to think WARVELLE a bit "funny." Well, he isn't. He means well, but always looks on the

other side. Under Indiana, Comp. PHELPS gets in some hard licks on the "Independents" who run the General Grand Chapter, but see no use for General Grand Council.

"Consistency—thou art a jewel."

We grade Comp. PHELPS' report as A. 1. and would like to comment further on it, but space forbids.

Twenty-one Councils; 1,415 members.

FRANCIS MCGIVERIN, Fremont, Grand Master; FRANCIS E. WHITE, Omaha, Grand Recorder.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

1909.

A Special Assembly of the Grand Council of New Hampshire was held in the city of Nashua, January 15, 1909.

Present: All the Grand Officers, except Marshal; nine Past Grand Masters, the representatives of eight Councils and a large number of Companions, mostly from Orphan No. 1 and Israel Hunt No. 8.

Here Fraternal recognition prevails. We note that. GEO. W. CURRIER 33° Deputy for New Hampshire; GEO. E. DANFORTH, Commander of New Hampshire Consistory; FRED W. SAWYER, Grand Marshal of Masons in New Hampshire, and CHARLES H. SINCLAIR, Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Hampshire, were officially received and introduced. After the opening of Grand Council in Ample Form and the introduction and welcoming of visitors, the officers of Grand Council vacated their stations, and Olivet Council No. 11 organized a Council of Royal Masters. The Grand Master then officially visited Olivet Council, after which three Royal Arch Masons were received as Royal Masters. The Council of Royal Masters was then closed and Israel Hunt Council No. 8 opened a Council of Select Masters, which was officially visited by Comp. FRED W. NOYES, Grand Principal Conductor of Work, and the Select degree was conferred upon the three Companies.

Grand Council Officers then resumed their stations and called off until evening.

At 7:30 labor was resumed, and Orphan Council No. 1 opened a Council of Super-Excellent Masters, and conferred the degree upon ten Select Masters.

Grand Council Officers then assumed their stations, and Grand Council was closed.

This is as it should be. Such gatherings would put new life into some of our somnolent jurisdictions. There is nothing like getting together when any purpose is to be accomplished.

The Forty-eighth Annual Assembly was held in the city of Concord, May 17, 1909.

Present: All the Grand Officers, eleven Past Grand Masters, and thirteen Councils were represented.

Grand Master reported that every Council had been officially visited either by himself or some other Grand Officer, and peace and prosperity found to prevail.

Wise man that he was, he issued but one dispensation, and that one seemingly useless, but granted probably to keep the Right and Power from falling into innocuous desuetude.

Deputy Grand Master and Grand Principal Conductor of Work reported their visitations.

The Committee on Finance found the Treasury in good condition, and recommends an appropriation of $100 to pay the expenses of Grand Officers in attendance on the General Grand Chapter at Savannah.

Several amendments to the Constitution were adopted, and Grand Council was closed.

Comp. JOSEPH E. ROBINS reviews the proceedings of thirty-two jurisdictions.

Under Alabama he quotes the preacher who was "sorry to see so many absent faces in his church."

The list of Councils of Alabama, New York, and some others show many of these "absent faces," *dead,* as well as gone before. He says: "There is a great future before our Alabama Companions." Let us hope that it is not so far distant that none of the living will see it.

He notes California, 1908, thinks our Companions will safely "guard the inestimable secrets of our order."

You are safe there, Companion. We are not very big, but we attend strictly to business.

He asks why Los Angeles confers the S. E. but once a year. We cannot tell. Our own Council, Oakland No. 12, is fast getting into the habit of conferring it at every meeting.

There may be merit in our job, at least we have been trying hard to find some for the last seven years. The robin's song is always sweet, though it is many years since we have heard it, as it used to be sung in the orchards east of the Rockies.

This larger Robin sings well. Long may he continue his song.

Under Georgia he predicts the unconditional surrender of Savannah to the advancing Masonic hosts, and hopes to be present at the capitulation. We also expected to be there, but the army went forward without us. Forty and more years ago we started in that direction with another army—not so peacefully inclined—but were "deflected" to other points and have never seen that city by the sea.

Under Illinois the gentle song bird pecks viciously at Comp. WARVELLE. He (WARVELLE) is the Ishmael of Corespondents—every man's hand is against him—and he hits back hard. Yet he is a mighty good fellow and has forgotten more than many of us ever knew.

There are many other items of this report which we would like to notice, but time and space, though in themselves infinite, are limited when applied to Correspondents.

Fifteen Councils; 2,136 members.

EDWARD O. FIFIELD, Nashua, Grand Master; FRANK D. WOODBURY, Concord, Grand Recorder.

NEW YORK.

1909.

The Grand Council of New York is certainly getting "high-toned."

The proceedings come this year with a title page in purple and gold, being a program of the opening exercises, most of which appear to have been in the German language.

It was the Eighty-sixth Annual Assembly, and was held in New York City, August 31, 1909.

The Grand officers were all present, with fourteen Past Grand Masters and the representatives of twenty-two Councils.

During the eighty-six years of the life of this Grand Council, the mortality among the subordinates has been great. Seventy-two Councils have been organized, while but twenty-five still remain upon the Register. Of these, four of the oldest—Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 7—still are flourishing, while there must have been an epidemic at one time as all between 55 and 70 are missing. With only a little over 5,000 members in the great Empire State, there would seem to be room for WORK.

How would it do to adopt the Texas plan?

We rejoice to see that Grand Council recognizes the fact that there are "other sheep, not of this fold," and that it is a pleasant thing for "brethren to dwell together in unity."

Comp. WILLIAM HOMAN, thirty-third-degree Deputy of the Supreme Council, N. J., and Comp. C. C. HUNT, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of New York, were welcomed to the East and received with the Grand Honor.

Grand Master's address is long—chiefly a report of his doings. He certainly was not idle.

He rendered but one decision. A Royal Arch Mason living in Idaho, a State in which no Council exists, temporarily sojourning in New York, wished to receive the degrees. Grand Master decided that at least six months' residence in New York was necessary, and that, as Councils exist in Oregon and Washington, adjoining States, he should apply nearer home. Now we do not see that he would be any more likely to be successful there. Supposing that those States require a six months' residence, how much better off is he? It would seem that any Grand Master ought to have the power to lead a poor, stray lamb, be-

longing to no one, into a safe and comfortable fold, unless it is held that permission should be obtained from the General Grand Master.

Reports of Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder show some work done, and a healthy condition of the finances.

Grand Lecturer advises a revision of the Ritual, in order to make it more impressive and instructive. Well, Companions, do it if you can; it is pretty good already, but there is always room for improvement.

Returning to the Grand Master's decision, we find on reading further that the Special Committee on Grand Master's Address "heartily approves the decision of the Grand Master in refusing a Council of this jurisdiction permission to confer the degree upon a Companion Royal Arch Mason hailing from a foreign jurisdiction." Absolutely correct in every particular, but it happens in this case that the Companion in question did not hail from a "foreign jurisdiction," and, by Grand Master's decision, is absolutely debarred from receiving the degrees, for Idaho is just as "foreign" to Oregon or Washington as it is to New York.

We presume that Comp. J. W. COBURN is responsible for the Correspondence Report, though two other Companions sign with him. He reviews thirty jurisdictions and gives California, 1908, two pages. He cannot "take our bet" on account of a tender conscience and the law discouraging betting. Well, since we wrote our last Report, our Legislature has passed a similar law, but the courts hold that "oral betting" is still allowed. So, while we withdraw our printed challenge, if Comp. COBURN ever comes to "God's country" we might renew it "orally."

A careful reading of the Companion's excellent Report develops nothing to quarrel about. He appears to be "sound on the goose" respecting all matters discussed.

Twenty-five Councils; 5,285 members.

MORRIS S. MCKENZIE, Troy, Grand Master; CHARLES T. LUNT, New York, Grand Recorder.

NORTH CAROLINA.

1909.

On May 12, 1909, at the city of Winston, the Grand Council of North Carolina held its Thirty-third Annual Assembly.

The Grand Officers, Conductor and Steward excepted, were present, with three Past Grand Masters and the representatives of nine Councils.

Grand Master, as is usual, intended to visit all of the Councils, but life's heavy burdens prevented (also as usual) the entire fulfillment of these intentions.

However, he did much better than many of his predecessors and contemporaries. He did visit five of the nine then existing Councils.

He reported the Charter of Roanoke Council No. 1, which had been long lost, to be now found, and hoped that his successor might be able to breathe the breath of life into the dry bones.

Now, did the loss of the Charter kill the Council, or was it lost on account of the dying state of the Council? Grand Master recommended that Charters be issued to two Councils, under dispensation, and Grand Council acted accordingly.

Grand Recorder reported a gain of 108 in membership, and Grand Treasurer showed an increased bank account of $165.65. A resolution was passed to the effect that more time was needed for the deliberations of Grand Council, and the session was closed in the usual Ample Form.

The Correspondence Report again comes to us by the way of the SOUTHGATE.

Under Arkansas he treats of the Coronation of Comp. HEMPSTEAD as Poet Laureate of Masonry. No Royal Crown was ever more deserved, and there will be no uneasiness about the head on which this one rests. Noticing California, he says that our Report has neither head nor tail—is without beginning or ending.

Does he mean to intimate that it is infinitely long?

We have been twice anointed, after the order of Melchizzedeck, but had no idea that the effect would be of such a character. Noticing the death of Comp. BARLOW of Connecticut, he states the same year, 1832, saw their arrival on this sphere, and that now he, SOUTHGATE, and SCHULTZ of Maryland are the oldest of the Reporters. Well, there is an old graybeard in California that is but half a neck behind, and may cross the line before either of you.

He hardly agrees with the Grand Master of Georgia that "Masonry is in itself a religion, a system of thought and conduct, binding man to God"; but thinks that something more is required. We agree with both the Companions, and yet we differ. There is a higher, broader view than that expressed by either of them.

He says: "If we are not mistaken," President Taft was made a Mason at sight in Illinois. We have heard the Grand Master of Ohio "cussed" without stint for doing that very thing, but we never before heard that he invaded his neighbor's dominions and committed the crime in Illinois.

We find that the act was done in Cincinnati in a just and regular Lodge, and after a regular election.

The crime of the Grand Master appears to have consisted in permitting the degrees to be practically communicated to the candidate, in his presence, on one in the same evening.

While we are not in favor of such a shorthand procedure, we can't kick very hard, as we received our own degree in almost the same fashion. We don't do the like in California, for here we compel every candidate, high or low, to stand a thorough examination in open Lodge

before advancement, and no Grand Master dare modify, that requirement.

Comp. SOUTHGATE has a gloomy tail to his report, but finally realizes that the sun of prosperity is shining somewhere, and will, ere long, penetrate the secret vault of the old North State.

Eleven Councils; 475 members.

HENRY G. SMALLBONES, Wilmington, Grand Master; JAMES C. MUNDS, Wilmington, Grand Recorder.

OHIO.

1909.

Eighty years, a microscopic point in the history of the world, and yet how much has been accomplished in that time. We well remember our first glimpse of what is now the great city of Cincinnati from the deck of the steamer Sultana in the year 1844. There was little in the way of a city to see, and the chief object of our boyish interest was a fisherman who was having great luck, and we envied him his position on the bank as only a boy could.

Ohio was then far West, and we had never heard of California. Yet even then the Grand Council of Ohio was a hearty fourteen-year-old, and somewhere in that forest-covered land a few Councils flourished and held their annual meetings.

What a change! Where then the only means of transportation was the river, or the corduroy road, now railroads gridiron the whole State. No "conservation" policy has preserved the forests, but a garden exists from lake to river. Millions dwell where then were a few scattering thousands, and a Grand Council having sixty-nine subordinates, with over 12,000 members, met in the city of East Liverpool, October 5, 1909. Having a tendency toward the spectacular, they first went to a hotel, where it may be presumed the wants of the inner man were well supplied. Then, escorted by a company of valiant and magnanimous Knights of the Temple, they solemnly marched to the Theater of the city, where the Eightieth Assembly of the Grand Council was opened in Ample Form. There were no vacancies in the ranks. Every Grand Officer was in his place, every Council was represented, and fourteen Past Grand Masters answered to roll call.

The opening prayer is printed, and, while it is eloquent and perfectly expresses our personal sentiments, seems inappropriate in an assembly where, presumably, many Companions of other faiths are present, unless "Prerequisition" works backward in Ohio and all Companions are Knights of the Temple.

Ill. Comp. R. E. PERRY of the local Council welcomed Grand Council in an eloquent speech, and presented Grand Master with a specimen of

the skill of one of the Companions—a key, in "keramics," fashioned without "the sound of any tool of iron," symbolizing the key to the city and to the hearts of the Companions. This was responded to in kind, and Grand Council then seated a lot of distinguished Masons, Grands and Past Grands of other bodies, and at last got down to business.

Grand Master's address was a business document, yet he occasionally exhibited sentiment.

He says: "I believe in strewing the pathway of our Companions with roses while living, expressing by act and word our appreciation of their labors in our behalf, and not wait until death compels us to write a glowing obituary and wreathe their caskets with flowers."

That is the way we feel about it.

He strongly recommends the prompt collection of dues, and that prompt suspension should follow non-payment. The beauty of the card system is that it works automatically—the very fact that a Companion does not procure the card being evidence of suicide. He has suspended himself. Comp. WILLIAMS says that the Grand Lodge of Ohio tried the card system, but did not find it satisfactory. Probably they did not strictly enforce it.

Grand Master reported a number of dispensations issued and two refused, adding that, if thrice Illustrious Masters would consult the Code, they would not trouble the Grand Master by asking for dispensations which he has no power to grant. Grand Masters and other Grands would have an easy time if no one asked fool questions.

One dispensation was granted for a new Council and one, asked for very late in the day, was referred to Grand Council for action.

Grand Master made a number of visits, and, at several of them, saw the S. E. conferred in the proper manner. At one Council he says "nearly fifty Companions took part * * * all being appropriately robed. The degree was conferred in a most able, dramatic and spectacular manner, void of frivolity or objectionable features of any kind."

That is according to our idea of the degree, though we have never seen it worked as we would like to see it. We do the best we can with few officers and little paraphernalia, but we have cut the "frivolity," etc.

Further on he recommends that the degree be made a part of the curriculum, obligatory on all Companions.

Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder report a goodly increase in cash and membership.

Grand Master's acts and recommendations were all approved by the Jurisprudence Committee, except that they found Article xi of the Constitution in the way of making the S. E. degree obligatory. Well, as an Illustrious Companion once said, "What is a Constitution for unless be amended." So amend it.

A report on the Masonic Home is an interesting part of the

ceedings. Grand Lodge does not appear to be afraid to take other Masonic bodies into partnership. Would that the unity of feeling so conspicuous in Ohio might pervade some other Grand jurisdictions that we know of.

One hundred and fifty pages of statistics follow, and then we come to the Correspondence Report of Comp. NELSON WILLIAMS. He reviews thirty-three Proceedings in seventy-five pages, giving California more than the average notice.

He refers to this Correspondent, who is also Grand Chaplain, saying "If he prays as well as he writes he can make an almighty good prayer." Now we were taught to pray at a very early age by a praying mother—and, work being absolutely necessary for both of us, we soon learned that also. We have kept up both to this date and don't intend to quit, either, while strength holds out. Writing came later, but has long been almost as much of a necessity.

Speaking of the card system, he says, "If Masons were liars," etc. Unfortunately some of them are and will lie about their standing. The card system at least makes them pay their dues promptly and the few who may be suspended or expelled after paying would lie their way in anyhow.

His remarks under "Concerning Grandfather Grant's Bull Pup" are very much to the point. Some bright day the Independents will get lonesome, and we will all flock together.

Under Kentucky, discussing the Texas plan, which he does not seem to approve, he says:

"Why not put the Council degrees absolutely under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter, etc."

That was the Mississippi Plan, which proved a failure and retarded the progress of Cryptic Masonry wherever it was tried. The weak point was that the degrees were not made an integral part of the Chapter work, and therefore were neglected.

Suppose the Chapter work was changed, so as to consist of seven degrees, as follows: Royal Master, Mark Master, Select Master, Past Master, Most Excellent Master, Super-Excellent Master and Royal Arch. This would be in historical sequence, and, if Chapter Officers were required to confer every degree in full, every condition would be fulfilled and the question of Prerequisition would be finally settled.

This is, of course, far in advance of present conditions, but we may come to it some time when we tire of so much independency and realize that Masonry is one. Until then let's follow Texas awhile and see how the thing works.

The Ohio Proceedings come in such a formidable size that we always commence on them on a sunny morning and don't expect to do anything but read and review them on that day. Not the smallest part of the job is to decide how little to say.

Comp. WILLIAM's Report presents many points which we would like to discuss, but, if we should yield to our inclinations, our Report would be like the Presidential chair—nothing visible but Ohio.

Sorry we could not meet you at Savannah, Comp. WILLIAMS. It was a great disappointment to us, but we all are young yet. None of us remember the organization of the Grand Council of Ohio—and there are more Triennials coming.

Sixty-nine Councils; 11,886 members.

CHARLES H. GIESSEN, Cleveland, Grand Master; WILLIAM E. EVANS, Chillicothe, Grand Recorder.

OKLAHOMA.

1909.

The Most Illustrious Grand Council of Oklahoma held its Fifteenth Annual Assembly in Oklahoma City, April 22, 1909.

Thus saith the record. Yet, on reading the Proceedings, we find that it was the Grand Council of Indian Territory that met and transacted most of the business. The resolution changing the name was acted upon almost the last thing.

Under the old or new name the sweet briar rose smells as sweet.

All the Grand Officers were present. Ten Past Grand Masters answered to their names and fourteen Councils were represented. Grand Master informs us that Cryptic Masonry is on the up-grade. Four healthy young Councils were organized during the year and Charters were issued to them.

A circular letter was sent to the Chapters of the State, urging the formation of Councils and explaining the relation of the degrees to the Royal Arch.

Many responses were received, several dormant Councils were awakened, and further results promised for next year. Many dispensations to receive and ballot upon petitions were issued, and, finally, on June 24, a general dispensation for all Councils to elect candidates and make a pilgrimage to a place near North McAlester, set apart for Masonic purposes. On August 10 the pilgrimage was made and the degrees conferred, "under unique conditions," in the presence of nearly all of the Grand Officers and a large number of Companions.

We are anxious to learn what those conditions were. At any rate, they did not interfere with the enjoyment of an Eastern Star banquet.

Grand Recorder MURROW disclaims any gift of prophecy, either hereditary or acquired, but says that he hit it for once when he said, last year, "Busier days are ahead," and advises D. G. M. that he must hustle to tread in the footsteps of his illustrious predecessor.

A committee was appointed to compile a history of the Cryptic Rite in this young jurisdiction.

No Report on Correspondence.

Fourteen Councils; 465 members.

JAMES A. SCOTT, Muskogee, Grand Master; SAMUEL J. MURROW, Atkoa, Grand Recorder.

OREGON.

1909.

On the seventh day of April, 1909, the Grand Council of Oregon held its Twenty-fourth Annual Assembly in the city of Salem.

All the Grand Officers, four Past Grand Masters and the representatives of six Councils were present.

Grand Master, like all good Masons this side the Rockies, could not begin his address without "boosting" the Pacific Coast. That is all right, though, of course, we think he is a little too far north to realize its "glorious climate" to the greatest extent. Oregon, in the good, old summertime, can't be beat, but ——. Well, we are not a knocker, and will say nothing of the H. O. 2 of the winter.

His encomiums on the Holy Bible are none too great—they cannot be —but we doubt whether proof can be adduced of its use on the Altars of Masonry "three thousand years and more." Of course, the spirit of Masonry, whether its age be counted by centuries or millenniums, has always been the spirit of the Bible but that the Book itself was upon the Altars of Masonry, even in Solomon's time, needs other proof than the assertion of any Grand Master.

Visits were made to two Councils, which were reported to be in perfect working order.

Five Companions received the degrees under a dispensation, in order to resuscitate a dormant Council. The effort, however, was not a success, and the Companions were returned to the Council conferring the degrees. A Charter was granted to Mt. Hood Council.

No Report on Correspondence.

Seven Councils; 489 members.

S. S. SPENCER, Eugene, Grand Master; SETH L. POPE, Portland, Grand Recorder.

PENNSYLVANIA.

1909.

A Special Assembly was held at Tunkhannock, September 9, 1908, at which all the Grand Officers, except Grand Treasurer, were present. A warrant was issued for a new Council and the Council constituted.

As the Council appears in the list as Temple Council No. 47, we take it that a Charter was included in or followed the warrant. The degree

of Thrice Illustrious Master was conferred upon the Master-elect, and he was then installed.

Oh, how we long to receive that degree!

The Sixty-third Annual Assembly met at Greensburg, January 19, 1909, all Grand Officers being present. Thirteen Past Grand Masters graced the occasion with their presence and twenty Councils were represented.

Grand Master reported many visits made and much good work done by the Councils.

That the Prerogative might not fall into innocuous desuetude, he conferred the degrees at sight on two Royal Arch Masons, personal friends of thirty-three years' standing.

So much has been written on this subject that we will drop it, but keep up a-thinking.

The Rip Van Winkle Grand Council of Texas, waking after forty-two years of sleep, during which time it has grown far more than any waking Council, was duly recognized and representatives ordered to be exchanged.

Comp. FRANK W. MARTENIS presents a Report of sixty-four pages, in which he gives California, 1908, a good notice. Under Alabama he says: "He must be a very busy man who could not visit his own or any other Council during the year. We think it a mistake to elect Companions to office who are unable to fulfill the duties they assumed when accepting the position."

Comp. MARTENIS keeps up his reputation as the writer of excellent reviews. He defends Pennsylvania's peculiarities from behind the strong defences of Constitutional Authority.

If people don't like it, they can go and do differently—outside of Pennsylvania. And we do so.

Twenty six Councils; 4,731 members.

CHARLES JOHNSTONE, Marshall, Grand Master; FRANK W. MARTENIS, South Bethlehem, Grand Recorder.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Grand Council of South Carolina held its Semi-Centennial Assembly February 9, 1909.

Grand Chaplain, Grand Conductor of Council and Grand Sentinel were absent.

So far as we can figure out, there were just twenty-three Brethren present, including Grand Officers and three Past Grand Masters. Eight Councils were represented.

Grand Master deplores the recurring changes of winter and summer. Though this is the law of our planet, he feels that in Masonry summer

should always prevail, and its warmth should continually cause growth. He says truly: "There should be more zeal manifested, and more energy and enthusiasm displayed in upbuilding and propagating this beautiful and simple Rite." "Let us show our faith by our works."

Speaking of a dormant Council, he says: "The Newberry Ahishar cannot be aroused. He sleepeth not. He is dead—past resurrection."

One new Council had been organized during the year.

Reports of Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer show Grand Council to be solvent and to have made a net increase of fifty-six Companions—the best showing in several years.

Instead of a Report on Correspondence, Comp. DAVIS gives something even better—a history of every Assembly of the Grand Council, its origin and the teachings of the degrees.

So far as South Carolina is concerned, there can be no doubt but the Councils were organized under the authority of the Supreme Council, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

The Ritual of South Carolina must differ from that of the General Grand Council, and from that previously in use in California. He says:

"The events recorded in the degree of Royal Master * * * must have occurred * * * during that brief period of time after the death of * * *"

Now, in our work, the G. M. H. A. B. is the principal character represented in the degree, and he is very much alive, though possibly anticipating his sudden death. This, however, does not affect the beauty of the degree, or the importance of the lessons taught.

May next year show yet more advancement.

Eight Councils; 374 members.

GEORGE T. BRYAN, Greenville, Grand Master. ZIMMERMAN DAVIS, Charleston, Grand Recorder.

TENNESSEE.

1909.

The Fifty-ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Tennessee was held in the city of Nashville, Jnauary 25, 1909, and we have just received the proceedings (March 20, 1910).

All the Grand Officers were present, with sixteen Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of sixteen Councils.

Grand Master having done very little, had little to say about it. He issued three dispensations—two of them would not be required in California. He made but one visit, but was regular in attendance on his own Council. His one visit so enthused him that he suggests that succeeding Grand Masters visit each Council at least once a year. Good advice, but a good example would have been better.

Two Councils U. D. having made no returns lost their dispensations.

A report proposing going in partnership with Grand Chapter in the matter of Grand Lecturer was postponed, awaiting action by Grand Chapter.

The "Cryptic Sea" has been navigated the fifth time by Comp. FLENNIKEN, so he says. We had no idea that the job was such a moist one.

We occasionally get very dry, perhaps because some of the G. M's addresses are spun out, to a degree, but when we come to the Correspondence Reports we usually get something a little more juicy.

Comp. FLENNIKEN gives California a couple of pages. Speaking of acting *instanter* on petitions, he asks "What would the result be if this were the law in all Masonic Bodies?" Well, we would not be much better off. The candidate for the Cryptic degrees has passed the scrutiny of Lodge and Chapter and is presumably worthy; if he is not he should be proceeded against in those bodies. He is also generally known by the membership. Now the proof of the pudding is in the eating, and we are willing to place our California "instanter" elected Select Masters, in competition with those of any other jurisdiction for good morals, good citizenship, and good fellowship. But when it comes to bringing in a profane let us be exceedingly careful. We should select only the very best timber for the lodge, and then we will be sure of having first-class material for the Secret Vault.

Twenty Councils; 853 members.

CHARLES H. SMART, Nashville, Grand Master; WM. A. CLENDENNING, Nashville, Grand Recorder.

TEXAS.

1909.

The youngest and largest Grand Council—that of Texas—awakened from a forty-year sleep, met for the third time in the city of Waco, December 6, 1909.

Present: All the Grand Officers. The lonesome Past Grand Master was also present and eighty out of the two hundred and forty-two Councils were represented. Grand Master congratulated Grand Council on the satisfactory workings of the new form of Prerequisition, and ventures a sort of doubting prophecy that it will work a cure of the evils that Cryptic Masonry has suffered through the neglect of Grand Encampment. He read a letter which he received from Comp. GRANT of Kentucky, who seems to have been active in getting the recognition of the General Grand Council.

From the standpoint of such a stalwart Independent as Comp. GRANT, we see no advantage to be gained by such recognition, especially as all the Grand Councils were recognizing and appointing representations

without waiting for action by General Grand Council. And why should Comp. GRANT be lobbying in a body that he considers useless—if not something worse? Grand Master gives some good advice as to the election of Officers; recommends Past High Priests for the station of Three Illustrious, and would keep a good team as long as circumstances permit.

He says: "Remember that a demit from the Chapter does not now carry with it a demit from the Council. When a Companion is demitted from the Chapter he should also be demitted from the Council." Why? If he remains non-affiliated in Chapter, he will be excluded from Council; and if he affiliates with some other Chapter and desires to continue a member of his Council, why should he not be allowed to do so?

Grand Master further advises the use of a Cipher Ritual, as nearly, if not all, Grand Councils have them.

His few dispensations were for the purpose of electing officers when none had been elected at the prescribed time.

Fourteen new Councils were constituted and dispensations issued for five more. Texas is a large State and does things on a large scale.

Grand Treasurer reported the comfortable balance of $1,838.59 cash on hand.

Grand Recorder reported a total membership of 13,370, showing a gain of 1,094.

Comps. TERRILL and STANSFIELD, Correspondence Committee, presented a report, divided according to subjects, giving the views of the different Grand Masters and Correspondence Committees. Prerequisition, Super-Excellent degree, Visitations, History, Degree at Sight are the subjects treated on, beside quotations concerning Texas, as seen by others.

This is an innovation and has some good features, but fails to give information as to the prosperity and doings of the several Grand Councils, which is one of the prime objects of the Correspondence Circle. A short Constitution and twenty pages of By-laws close the volume.

Two hundred and forty-two Councils; 13,379 members.

JOHN C. KIDD, Houston, Grand Master; JOHN A. BRYAN, Grand Recorder.

VERMONT.

1909.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Vermont was held in the city of Burlington, June 8, 1909.

Present: All the Grand Officers, ten Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of sixteen Councils.

Grand Master, apropos of the ter-centenary of the discovery of Lake Champlain, discusses upon the changes of 300 years. A vast, unbroken forest, silent but for the voices of savage men and beasts, now the home of thousands, dwelling in cities, and among fertile fields, and hearing the sound of steam whistle and church bells.

He appointed all Illustrious Grand Masters as Assistant Grand Lecturers to put the new work into effect. A few dispensations issued. No visits reported.

Grand Lecturer had been busy, and his work showed results in Grand Recorder's Report.

He says: "My observation has led me to conclude that our Companions in office in this Grand Body must do something more than accept office." However, he leaves us to guess what that something shall be.

Texas was congratulated on her awakening and was accorded the right hand of fellowship.

Comp. MARSH O. PERKINS wields the pen of Correspondent with his accustomed vigor. California is not forgotten, most of his pages being clippings from our last Report. He quotes WARVELLE concerning making Masons at sight, which remarks are endorsed by most of us, and also his theory of the origin of the Royal Master's degree, of which proof is lacking. Also under Indian Territory he quotes from KNEISLEY what that Companion does not know concerning the origin of the Rite. He tells MORDHURST that, "under existing conditions, it matters little what General Grand Council may do" regarding the recognition of Texas.

He calls the exordium of the Grand Master of Iowa a delightful medley, quoting from it sarcastically, but compliments Grand Master on his work and on the business part of the address. Under Missouri he quotes STEVENSON's definition and description of a crawdad, and the derivation therefrom of the name "Sucker." This is the ninety-seventh derivation that has come to us. We lived in Illinois from '58 to '71 and every old settler had a different story—of course, all equally true.

Under Ohio he says: "Grand Master had a busy time in granting dispensations to Councils to roam about within their respective jurisdictions for the purpose of conferring degrees, a usage which probably aids in the explanation of the phenomenal growth.

We of California had pity on Grand Master, and by resolution allow Councils to do the same without dispensation. A somewhat diligent search of the records fails to find that any Grand Master of California ever issued a dispensation for any other purpose than that of electing officers at a time not stated in the By-laws, and even for this we can find no warrant, either in the Constitution or general regulations.

He quotes the disquisition of the Grand Master of Oregon on the beautiful scenery, rich soil and adorable climate of the Pacific Coast,

and his scathing denunciation of the "upper classes" and their political methods, all of which he says is "very informing, but how and where does it apply to Freemasonry?"

As we have learned the obligations, nothing is more firmly inculcated than Patriotism, and certainly all that pertains to purity in politics is Masonic duty and doctrine.

Texas, considered either as a big baby, or hoary with age, receives a long and well-deserved notice.

We bow to the 13,000 members, and have written to Texas asking what is the matter with California that we have heard of the big sister only through the proceedings of other Grand Councils.

We still await a reply.

Nineteen Councils; 1,339 members.

ISAAC D. BAILEY, Brattleboro, Grand Master; HENRY H. ROSS, Burlington, Grand Recorder.

WASHINGTON.

1909.

The Fourteenth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Washington was held in the city of Seattle, June 19, 1909.

The Grand Officers all answered roll call, as did nine Past Grand Masters and the representatives of eight Councils.

Grand Master had so little faith in the vivifying effects of visitations that he left the amount appropriated for that purpose in the hands of the Grand Treasurer. So long as he felt that way, perhaps he acted for the best. Without faith he could do no good, but if he had visited each Council, fully persuaded that his visit was of great importance, and that he could do much to increase the interest in the Rite, we firmly believe that the net increase in membership would have far exceeded the sixty-seven that he reports. He thinks that the selection of officers is the most important duty of the Councils. Yes; but further; when you have a good corps of officers *keep them*. Continued change, every year a new Master, may satisfy ambition, but does not build up the Order. Meeting seldom, as is the case with most Councils, the officers can not become proficient in one year's time. Grand Master seems to appreciate the Cryptic Rite. He says:

"However viewed, the legend of the Secret Vault conveys a message of the utmost importance to the real Mason. Only the Divine Light can illumine its arches, and when the Masonic devotee enters with a pure heart, some of this divine radiance must permeate his soul, so

that when he goes into the world again, he is better fitted to fulfill his duties to those about him."

Only one dispensation was granted.

Very little business appeared. Grand Treasurer was $426.68 to the good, and everybody being happy Grand Council closed in Ample Form.

It is said in a foot note that in the evening Seattle Council, No. 6, conferred the S. E. Degree on a large class in a "very impressive manner."

Comp. HARE, Grand Recorder, writes the Correspondence Report; gives California, 1908, a good notice with a little soft soap for this correspondent.

Eleven Councils; 834 members.

JOHN LILLIE, Port Townsend, Grand Master; EDWARD R. HARE, Tacoma, Grand Recorder.

WISCONSIN.

1909.

The Fifty-second Assembly of the Grand Council of Wisconsin was held in the city of Milwaukee, February 17, 1909, all the Grand Officers being present. Six Past Grand Masters added wisdom to the gathering and fifteen Councils sent their representatives.

Grand Master evidently is a railroad man. He says: "The Grand Council Limited Express left this station, February 19, 1908, in charge of a new Conductor, with a full crew, having on board 2,581 passengers."

Then, in railroad terms, he describes the run: "The hustling for new passengers was fairly successful, 233 being roped in by the Conductor and his assistants.

"Thirty-five stops were made to transfer passengers to that other train which will convey them safely to the Celestial Lodge."

Grand Master visited most of the Councils, and found them generally in good condition. Only two decisions were asked for. And his answer to No. 1 would indicate that perpetual jurisdiction holds in Wisconsin. Concurrent jurisdiction of all Councils of the State was, on recommendation of the Grand Master, abolished, and an amendment to the Constitution providing for immediate action on petitions by unanimous consent was laid over for one year. A resolution, withdrawing from General Grand Council, met the same fate.

In order to be sure that all necessary things be done, and done properly, a committee was appointed to revise the Constitution.

Comp. JACOB DREHER writes the Correspondence Report, a report pure and simple—no scissors and few personal opinions given. He

gives California a page, and agrees with us that nothing is too good for a real Royal Arch Mason.

Under Washington he comes out with emphasis. That Grand Council petitions Grand Commandery to instruct its representatives to Grand Encampment to ask for Prerequisition, giving as reason that candidates, not Cryptic Masons, are usually blackballed in the Commandery.

Comp. DREHER says, with good reason: "What an uncalled for and un-Masonic manner of dealing with the question the above method is. * * * Blackballing without just cause is repugnant to the fundamental principles of the Craft."

We would ask why Grand Council should interfere in affairs that do not concern its members. There is no complaint that Council members are blackballed.

In some of our Commanderies it is difficult for a Royal Arch Mason not a Select Master to get a recommendation, and Committees often ask for further time to enable a Companion to get the Council degrees, but we never heard of a blackball being used to compel such action. It would be an unknightly and ungentlemanly act to reject an otherwise unobjectionable candidate.

Twenty-four Councils; 2,743 members.

FRANK E. NOYES, Marinette, Grand Master; WM. W. PERRY, Milwaukee, Grand Recorder.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES B. MERRITT,
Committee.

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